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CONGRESS AND ITS WORK

A POLITICAL DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

THE "AMENDMENT" BILL UNDER CONSIDERATION—EXECUTIVE ATTACKS ON THE DEMOCRATIC POSITION BY NEW-YORK MEMBERS.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—In the House to-day, discussion was resumed on the bill to prohibit Federal officers, claimants, and contractors from making contributions for political purposes. The discussion on this bill has assumed a decidedly partisan turn. Yesterday, Mr. House, of Tennessee, made a carefully-prepared stump speech, in which he assailed President Hayes and the Republican Party with as much freedom and virulence as if addressing a cross-roads meeting in his own district. By agreement, the Republican side was given the floor to-day, and the Democrats were compelled to listen to an analysis of their party position and its revolutionary methods to secure political power which was not agreeable to that side. Mr. Young, of Ohio, opened the debate, and devoted himself to a defense of President Hayes against the attack made yesterday by Mr. House, and to a glowing eulogy of Secretary Sherman, which was evidently intended to promote the chances of that gentleman for the Chicago nomination.

The most aggressive speech of the day was made by Mr. Richardson, of the Twenty-ninth New-York District. After showing the absurdity and unconstitutionality of the provisions of the bill, Mr. Richardson said, with warmth and emphasis, that for contributing his own money for legitimate political purposes, the bill would punish the claimant for a pension who had received bodily injury while defending the Government against the assaults of traitors who were now here by the leniency of the very Government they had attempted to destroy, and who, had they received their just reward, would not now be in a position to impose penalties and distribute rewards to those who had saved the country from destruction. This bold declaration was received by the Republicans with applause, and by the Democrats with sullen silence. Mr. Richardson's speech was his maiden effort in this House, and it has given him a prominent place in the Republican ranks as an able speaker and an earnest disputant. He was warmly congratulated upon concluding his remarks. Mr. Crowley, of the Thirty-first New-York District, also made his first speech to-day on this bill, and while he did not achieve the same degree of success as Mr. Richardson, the matter and manner of his speech have given him deserved prominence. Messrs. Richardson and Crowley have kept themselves in the background too long. The legal point of their argument was very pertinent and advanced with a vigor which arrested attention and an earnestness which carried conviction. The discussion for the day was closed by Mr. Butterworth, of Ohio. An effort was made by Mr. House to get the previous question ordered on the bill, with a view of preventing further debate, but this was defeated.

IN DEFENSE OF THE PILOTS.

ARGUMENTS BEFORE THE COMMERCE COMMITTEE IN FAVOR OF THE COMPULSORY LAWS.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The pilots of Sandy Hook, Hell Gate, and Boston were given a hearing to-day, before the House Committee on Commerce, in opposition to the bill to abolish compulsory pilotage. After Henry L. Gurney, whose father began to act as a pilot in Boston Harbor in 1805, and who himself has been a pilot there for 37 years, had been heard in defense of the system in use at Boston, Mr. William Allen Butler made an argument in behalf of the pilots of Sandy Hook. In the beginning, Mr. Butler maintained that Congress had placed in the hands of the States, in 1789, the regulation of pilots, and that, after being under their control for nearly a century, it should not now be taken from them, to the great injury of interests which had been fostered under State systems. With special reference to the regulations in force at Sandy Hook, he asserted that there was necessity, first, for efficient service, and, secondly, for proper supervision, which would compel the pilots to do their duty, and punish them for neglecting it. In order that the service should be perfect there must be reciprocity between masters of ships and the pilots. The Supervising Commission say to the pilot that he must be on hand, in rough or calm weather, to respond to the demands of vessels; and it is also provided that the vessel must take the pilot who first appears for service. This had been called compulsion, but it was reciprocity, and a reciprocity which was necessary for the preservation of life and property. It would be satisfactory to those who need pilots. Coastwise vessels were exempt, on the theory that their masters were acquainted with the coast. To provide pilots for foreign vessels was a duty owed both to strangers and our own commercial interests, and as the vessels which would always take pilots could not alone support the system, the burden must be distributed equally upon all foreign commerce. The Norwegian bark must have a pilot at New-York, but one would not be provided for her unless the making of pilots was made compulsory in the cases of the large steamers, which carry 70 per cent of our foreign commerce, but not one timber of which is owned by American citizens. Mr. Butler referred to the recent action of the New-York Senate in allowing the Pilot Commissioners to give licenses to masters and mates of vessels, thus enlarging their authority. The Senate had also reduced the pilot fees 20 per cent. But compulsion, or reciprocity, had not been disturbed, although the whole question had been thoroughly discussed. In view of the fact that New-York State was now legislating upon the subject, Congress should let it alone. In closing he spoke of the expenses of the Sandy Hook pilots, and urged that justice demanded that their means of getting a livelihood should not be taken away. A pilot's net earnings averaged $1,894.

E. Mansfield Pavey appeared for the Hell Gate pilots. He declared that the passage of the bill in question would virtually be an arrangement of 10 States for incompetency or corruption. There in favor of it had applied year after year to State Legislatures upon the same grounds, and had always been defeated. Each year there had been thorough discussion, and the passage of a sweeping act of Congress now would imply that Congress believed that the State Legislatures were not sufficiently intelligent to deal with the question, or had been influenced by improper motives. These men had how come to Congress, where their objects and motives were not so well known. After having utterly failed to secure favorable action from the States themselves, to pass this bill would be an insult to the State of New-York. Moreover, the act of 1789 estopped Congress from passing such a bill. Mr. Pavey read the commission given to each Hell Gate pilot, and asserted that it was a contract which ought not to be impaired by legislation. The confiscation on the part of the pilot was a fitting element in the case for his duties without pay. If the occupation of these men was destroyed, how could this consideration be returned? He boldly asserted that those who appeared in favor of the bill were the representative of ship-brokers, speculation men and the owners of tugs, who felt the heaviest burdens upon commerce at the Port of New-York, who were owners in vessels only to such an extent as would secure to them their tonnage, and who, by combination, made it impossible for a Captain to get a crew, or a shipper a vessel, without paying them a heavy royalty. The burden of pilots' fees was a molehill to a mountain, and the tug-boats had pay these men before they could get a crew. In many cases they owned these tug-boats. They took money from the pockets of the pilots, who were protected by the State. They secured a charge against the pilots in order that their tugs might be taken by the tugs, out of which they could make money. To show that compulsion was necessary in Hell Gate, he asked how Mr. Sherman was still at work there, and asserted that since the improvements recently made by him were completed more than 75 wrecks had occurred. In 30 years 345 vessels had been lost there, and only 10 of these had pilots. The pilots had saved 100 lives, and four of the pilots had been drowned while on duty. The average sum annually collected was $32,000 for 45 pilots, or less than $800 each. Mr. Pavey spoke for an hour and a half, and at the conclusion of his remarks the hearing was adjourned until next Monday.

WORK IN THE COMMITTEE ROOMS.

AMENDING THE MINING LAWS—STAR SERVICE AND INTERNAL REVENUE METHODS.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The House Committee on Mines to-day considered the first eight sections of the bill proposed by the Public Land Commission, and which relate to the disposition of mineral lands. The committee amended these sections in several important particulars. The surface dimensions of mineral claims were fixed in the amended bill as 1,500 feet in length and 600 feet in width, and a provision was added providing that the locator shall not follow his mineral beyond the point where it is intersected by the surface boundary, drawn down vertically. Instead of allowing the miner 90 days after staking out his claim in which to discover minerals, the bill, as amended, allows him one year for the discovery, and, during that period, provides that he shall be protected in the enjoyment of his claim. The amended bill further requires the locator, within 90 days after he has made his location, to have his claim surveyed by a Deputy United States Surveyor, the notes of which survey shall be filed with the Surveyor-General of the State or Territory in which the claim is situated. When the application for patent is made, the locator or his assigns are required to furnish proofs of discovery of mineral, and evidence of the performance of $500 worth of work on the claim. The committee expect, at the next meeting, to take up the other sections of the bill and discuss of them, so that the measure may be perfected and reported to the House within the next two weeks.

The sub-committee of the House Committee on Ways and Means, of which Representative Carlisle is Chairman, gave an audience this morning to a delegation representing the distillery interests, who desire certain changes in the internal revenue laws. Commissioner Raum was present, and stated that the department would interpose no objection to many features of Mr. Carlisle's bill. He estimated, however, that the change proposed in the method of assessing the tax on distilled spirits in bonded warehouses would entail a loss of revenue of about $2,250,000. The proposed bill affects matters of administration of the law rather than any reduction of taxes.

The special committee of the House Appropriations Committee, of which Mr. Blackburn is Chairman, resumed the examination of Messrs Salesbury to-day relative to the star route service. He furnished a tabular statement of the 17 routes in which he is interested, on each of which the cost for expedition has exceeded $5,000 per annum. The table shows that the aggregate of the original contracts upon these routes was $147,700; that this was increased for additional trips $189,278, and for expedited schedules $217,005, making the aggregate compensation $553,978. Mr. Salesbury was questioned at length in regard to the different routes, and admitted that on several of them the passenger and express package business was more profitable than the carrying of the mails, and that if the department should withdraw the extra compensation for increased trips and expedition he would continue the fast service for the sake of the passenger and express traffic; that on some routes he had expedited the schedule beyond that required by his contract with the Post Office Department in order to secure this business, and that it paid him to do so.

Representative Scales called the attention of the Indian Committee to-day to the reported starving condition of certain Utes in New-Mexico, and was instructed to prepare a bill authorizing the Secretary of the interior to issue rations to them. It appears that during the second session of the Forty-fifth Congress an act was passed authorizing the removal of these Indians from Cimarron, New-Mexico, to the reservation of the Utes in Colorado, $5,000 being appropriated for that purpose, with the proviso that no further rations or supplies should be issued to them in case of their refusing. They were taken as far as Abiquiu, New-Mexico, where they flatly refused to proceed, and where they have since remained. Their present destitute condition has led to fears of an outbreak, and it is proposed to accord them temporary relief until some action can be taken as to their final disposition.

SENATE COMMITTEE JEALOUSIES.

THE DISPUTE ABOUT THE REFERENCE OF THE INDIAN TERRITORY QUESTION.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The opinions expressed and the feeling exhibited in the Senate to-day, during the debate upon the motion to refer the memorial of the Indians opposed to the Vest bill to the Judiciary Committee, indicate that the Judiary Committee are determined to review this question and see that the treaty rights of the Indians in the Indian Territory are protected, even if certain railroad speculators suffer. Mr. Garland, Chairman of the Committee on Territories, is in an unenviable frame of mind, and feels that he has been badly treated. Mr. Vest was in his seat, but his remarks were brief. Mr. Conkling took the view that the bill in question was unlike any others for the establishment of Territorial Governments, which properly were sent to the Committee on Territories, because it interfered with treaties, and did not provide for a Territorial Government. It consisted of two parts—one for the establishment of the court, and the other for the disposal of the lands of the Indians. He directed attention to the fact that the Indians had not been disturbed until a railroad company's possibilities and expectations called for opportunities not found in existing courts and laws. Mr. Voorhees volunteered a speech in defense of the Committee on Territories, and in language which was intended to be sarcastic complimented the Judiciary Committee upon its modesty. Having charged that it had been argued that the Committee on Territories was either incompetent or dishonest, he was very sharply taken to task by Mr. Thurman for this statement. Then Mr. Edmunds showed that Mr. Voorhees knew nothing about the bill which was in dispute, and Mr. Conkling extinguished the gifted Senator from Indiana with a sarcastic rejoinder, to which no reply could be made. The debate was interrupted by the expiration of the morning hour. It is plain that the Judiciary Committee will spare no efforts to take this matter into their hands, and it seems safe to predict that the doom of the Vest bill is sealed whether it goes to that committee or not.

KENTUCKY DISTRICT JUDGESHIP.

LOUISVILLE, March 10.—The candidates for the District Judgeship of Kentucky, made vacant by the Hon. W. H. Hayes's death, are Judge John Feland, of Christian County; Curtis F. Burnham, of Madison; G. C. Wharton, H. C. Pindell, L. M. Dembits, Thomas Speed, William A. Bullett, and Samuel McKee, of Louisville, and D. W. Lindsey, of Frankfort. The Kentucky Legislature has indorsed Judge Feland, and Gov. Blackburn also asks his appointment. Mr. Feland is an able lawyer, a gentleman of culture, and possesses the confidence and esteem of all who know him. He is a very prominent Sherman man. Col. Wharton has been District Attorney 12 years. He also is for Sherman. McKee was a Congressman with President Hayes. His best friends are in Washington. Burnham was Assistant Secretary to Gen. Bristow. Pindell is a Democrat, and receives the indorsement of a majority of the Bar of Louisville. Speed and Bullett are young lawyers of Louisville, the latter being Assistant District Attorney.

GRANT LEADING IN ALABAMA.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 10.—The Republican Executive Committee to-day selected Selma as the place and May 20 as the time for holding the State convention. There are Grant, Blaine, and Sherman men on the committee, with the Grantsmen in the lead.

THE CASHIERED GENERAL

HIS CASE BOLSTERED UP BY ATTACKS ON OTHER OFFICERS.

SENATOR MCDONALD FINISHES HIS SPEECH—MANY OF HIS ASSERTIONS PROVED TO BE FALSE BY MESSRS. CONKLING AND LOGAN—A RESOLUTION TO REFER THE BILL TO A COMMITTEE.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The Democratic Senators who are supporting the Fitz John Porter bill have very nearly lost sight of the cashiered General, and have brought their guns to bear upon Gen. McDowell and Gen. Pope. Mr. McDonald held the floor for three hours to-day, and continued to confine his attention to the position and movements of the two opposing armies. If Mr. McDonald has gained an accurate view of that memorable campaign, Gen. Pope was a blundering blockhead; Gen. McDowell was disobedient and befogged, and Gen. Porter, who was continually commanded to do impossible things, was the only man in the Army who completely understood the situation. Mr. McDonald acknowledged that Gen. Porter's letters to Gen. Burnside show that the former entertained a very strong contempt for Pope, and offered no excuse for Porter's expression of this feeling. Much time was consumed in analyzing Pope's campaign and in ridiculing his plans and orders, while on the other side Gen. Lee was held up as one of the most brilliant military men of this or any other age. Attempts were also made to prove that all that was creditable in the engagement in question was done by Porter, and that he, and he alone, saved the Union army.

Very little attention was paid to Mr. McDonald's remarks, either in the galleries or on the floor, until his severe attacks upon McDowell and others aroused Mr. Conkling and Mr. Logan, and brought upon the speaker well-deserved condemnation and rebuke. After Stonewall Jackson's death, his record of this battle was found among his papers, and in considering this record, long after the court-martial's work had been done, Gen. McDowell mistook that part of it which referred to the 30th of August for the account of the events of the 29th, and spoke of it as showing that there was a severe battle on the 29th. Before the Schofield board his error was pointed out to him, and he at once acknowledged it, afterward willingly bearing witness to the work done by Porter on the 30th. Mr. McDonald asked how McDowell could hold up his head after such an error, giving the impression that his error had in some way influenced the court-martial's decision, and intimating that he had circulated his view of the matter, knowing it to be false, and had then very reluctantly, under cross-examination, admitted the mistake. Mr. Conkling instead upon reading the testimony of Gen. McDowell, and conclusively showed that Mr. McDonald's intimations and insinuations had no foundation in fact. The latter was forced to admit that McDowell did not know his error until it was shown to him by the board. Mr. Conkling remarked that he did not believe it necessary to cast mud on as many persons as possible in order to defend Porter, and declared that Gen. McDowell's character ought to exempt him from such imputations. To seek for blameless men on whom to throw filth was not only unjust, but possibly not likely to help Porter. McDowell's testimony showed a generous disposition to give Porter the benefit of all doubts. Mr. Conkling's answer was so convincing that Mr. McDonald took refuge in an attempt to attribute its force to the Senator's skill in using language and modulating his voice. When Mr. Conkling asked how McDowell's error could have had any influence upon the court-martial, Mr. McDonald pleaded that he was too tired to support with his powerful voice. Mr. Conkling thanked him for his very luminous answer, and in a few minutes the Senator from Indiana closed his long speech.

Then Gen. Logan arose and briefly demolished most of the Senator's arguments, which had been based upon testimony, and showed by Robert Lincoln's evidence that his father, instead of repenting of his approval of Porter's sentence, had said that the court would have been justified in condemning him to be shot. At this Mr. Randolph became excited, and produced the testimony of Gov. Newell in regard to a conversation which he had with Mr. Lincoln. The Senator from Indiana read the testimony of one Bond, who swore that Porter said he "didn't care a—, whether the troops got there or not;" whereupon Mr. Randolph solemnly affirmed, with his hand pointing toward the skies, that Fitz John Porter was incapable of uttering a profane word. Gen. Logan inquired if every witness against Porter must be pronounced a liar. It was Porter who was on trial, he declared, and not Pope and McDowell, and the court-martial. He defended King and Bickerdyke, and in speaking of Hunter, the President of the court-martial, said that he was as good a man as the Senator from New-Jersey or any other Senator. "That's a matter of taste," replied Mr. Randolph. Gen. Logan proceeded to denounce the attacks made upon other Generals for the purpose of bolstering up Porter's weak case, until Mr. Garland, who had not forgotten the debate in the morning hour concerning the reference of the Indian Territory memorial to the Judiciary Committee, offered a resolution sending to that committee the whole Fitz John Porter case, with the documents relating to it. When the Senate went into executive session, Mr. Jones, of Florida, had secured the floor to continue the debate.

WHY BLACK MEN EMIGRATE.

TESTIMONY SHOWING THAT THEY ARE DRIVEN FROM LOUISIANA BY DEMOCRATIC OUTRAGES.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The Senate Exodus Committee to-day examined Mr. George T. Ruby, (colored,) editor of the New-Orleans *Observer*. Mr. Ruby testified that he was born in New-York City, and has lived in Louisiana and Texas for the past 16 years, and that he is conversant with the causes of the exodus. He said a convention of colored citizens of Louisiana assembled in New-Orleans in April, 1879, and, after a session of four days, ascertained that this exodus movement originated among plantation laborers, and was the result of the persecutions of the political mobs of 1874 and 1875. Organizing as a colonization council in August, 1874, it spread rapidly from parish to parish and permeated the State, particularly the sections known as the Cotton Belt, where outrages had been most frequent. The convention had learned that 92,800 names were enrolled in Louisiana, North-western Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Alabama, and that 69,000 of these were represented in different parishes of State. Political leaders had nothing to do with it. The immediate causes of the New-Orleans Convention, he said, were the outrages committed in Louisiana during the Summer and Autumn of 1878, and he mentioned several outrages that had occurred in September and October, 1878, one of which resulted in driving out of a parish a colored preacher named Blount, and two white Republicans named Breda. This was done, the witness said, "simply because they were Republicans." He then produced and read the following resolution adopted at a Democratic meeting in Natchitoches in September, 1878:

Resolved, That the past conduct and actions of Blount, Roby Lewis, and their white associates, who are the recognized leaders of the Radical Party in this parish, are intolerable; that the persistent efforts of these people to regain position and power are a standing menace to the peace of our society; and, regarding them as enemies of good government, we are determined they shall not succeed in their nefarious designs to keep alive hostility between the races.

Resolved, further, That the bold and vigorous denunciation of those bad men by the *People's Vindicator* are entitled to and receive our hearty commendation and approval.

The witness said that the "vigorous denunciation" indorsed by the resolutions, included advice to the people to take these "bad men" out to the nearest tree and hang them. The effect upon the colored people of the lawlessness which he said had prevailed throughout the State, was to "incite them to go anywhere out of the hell in which they lived. It was, he said, the denial of their political rights rather than their physical condition, lamentable as it is, that caused this discontent among the negroes. He admitted that there was in New-Orleans a large and increasing class among white Democrats, perhaps a majority, who deplore the present condition of affairs, but those who entertain this feeling are merchants and capitalists, naturally timid, and exert no influence over political leaders. The rabid men control the party, and they are in a minority; but so long as the majority are quiescent, and thereby deprecate lawlessness, they cannot prevent it. Mr. Ruby stated that he thought nearly 3,000 negroes had emigrated from the State, most of whom had gone to Kansas. In the sugar-growing sections of the State a better feeling prevailed, but in other parts the feeling of discontent is on the increase, and the indications are that many more will leave this Spring.

TILDEN'S HAND IN OHIO.

EX-GOV. BISHOP, AIDING, TO BE REWARDED WITH THE VICE-PRESIDENCY.

COLUMBUS, O., March 10.—Within the last few days it has become very evident that Tilden has tapped a new barrel and goes briskly to work making arrangements for securing the support of this State at Cincinnati. His friends are most alarmed at the strength which Jewett is showing in various parts of the State, and are consolidating against him. Gov. Bishop, who has strong hopes of the Vice-Presidency in case Tilden is nominated, is in this city, and has been here for a day or two. He is said to be negotiating for the purchase of the *Daily Democrat*, of this city, the principal Democratic organ of the central portion of the State, and in case the sale is consummated, it will immediately come out for Tilden and Bishop. The ex-Governor was visited to-day, and while he was very non-committal at first, he at length said: "I think the Democrats of this State have found out that I can poll more votes than any other man they can put forward. They have had experience enough to convince them of this. Those who would not believe it when Ewing was nominated now see where they missed, I think."

"Are you a candidate for the Vice-Presidency?"

"Under certain conditions I certainly am, and expect to be nominated."

When asked what these conditions were, ex-Gov. Bishop refused to answer, but gave the impression that the condition was that Tilden was to be put at the head of the ticket. He added that he was informed that Hendricks would not again have the second place, and it might be thought best to take a man who could carry Ohio. He referred to his own brilliant record in always carrying Hamilton County when no other candidate was able to do so. Mr. Bishop feels that he was fully vindicated in the defeat of Ewing last Fall, and that he is stronger to-day than ever before. With the *Democrat*, of this city, for Tilden, and the *Plaindealer*, of Cleveland, which is soon to be made a morning paper, to back it from the lake shore, the fight can soon be opened all along the line.

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENTS—CAPT. JOUETT'S BRAVERY—ORDERS TO OFFICERS.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A large number of applications have been received at the War Department for appointment to the vacancy occasioned by the death of Assistant Quartermaster N. S. Constable. This vacancy is required to be filled from the list of Lieutenants in the different arms of the service. In anticipation of a vacancy in the Pay Corps of the Army by the possible retirement of Paymaster-General Alvord, who is past 62 years of age. A large number of applications for Paymasterships have been received, both from persons in civil life and from those in the Army. In the event of Gen. Alvord's retirement, his position will be filled by promotion in the corps.

Chief Trumpeter Charles Smith, Fourth Cavalry, has been ordered to report to the Superintendent of the Mounted Recruiting Service, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, to conduct a detachment of select recruits of the Fourth Cavalry to Fort Hayes, Kansas.

Master Walter C. Cowles has been ordered to duty at the Hydrographic Office. Passed Assistant Engineer George W. Baird to duty in charge of the machinery of the iron-clad steamer Montauk, at the Washington Navy-yard. Passed Assistant Engineer G. J. McConnell has been detached from the Norfolk Navy-yard and granted six months' leave of absence, with permission to leave the United States; Boatswain William Long, from the New-York Navy-yard, and placed on sick leave.

Lieut. James Franklin, United States Navy, has been placed on the retired list.

The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs to-day decided to recommend the confirmation of the nomination of Capt. James E. Jouett as Commodore in the Navy. His nomination for advancement and the favorable action of the committee are based upon Capt. Jouett's conspicuous record of gallant service, and upon the recommendation of the Board of Admiralty convened after the close of the war, headed by Farragut, and including Admirals Porter and Dupont, that Jouett be advanced 30 numbers for "heroic conduct in battle." His present nomination provides for the carrying of this recommendation into effect to the extent of 16 numbers, thereby placing him at the foot of the list of Commodores.

The House Committee on Naval Affairs to-day reported a resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to appoint a board to examine theurret iron-clads now on the stocks in a partially completed state, and report on the advisability of completing them.

NEWARK'S IMPURE WATER.

NEWARK, March 10.—The citizens of this city are becoming much alarmed over the condition of the drinking water furnished from the aqueduct. The Board of Health has recently taken the subject into consideration, and has listened to the report of experiments made by Dr. Julius Hensel, chemist, resident here. Dr. Hensel reports that he discovered one or more poisonous thread-worms in each drop of water, and that from two gallons of the water he had taken 100,000 organisms or animalcule. He believes that a large amount of the typhus fevers prevalent here is caused by the state of the water, and that one out of every seven deaths from consumption may be traced to the effect of the thread-worm on the lungs. Lastuvening Dr. Hensel presented to the board several methods for exterminating the poisonous organisms, and it is probable that the board will take measures with reference to the matter very soon.

A NATIONAL BANKRUPT LAW.

CHICAGO, March 10.—The Chicago Commercial Club has sent to kindred organizations in St. Louis, Cincinnati, and Boston the following, with the request that they co-operate in attaining the object aimed at; the Boston Club is also requested to withdraw the Stetson bill, if it appears impracticable to secure its passage, and to substitute therefor the bill contemplated by this: "The undersigned respectfully urge the appointment of a commission, composed in part, at least, of representative business men, to prepare for the consideration of Congress, at its next session, a form of bankrupt law that will work justly toward both creditor and debtor, and give to the country a uniform and permanent national bankrupt system." This document will be sent to-morrow to Congress.

EXTENDING SILK INDUSTRY.

HAWLEY, PENN., March 10.—The people of this place are greatly elated over the purchase, a few days ago, by Dexter & Lambert, of the silk firm of Dexter, Lambert & Co., of Paterson, N. J., of a tract of land along the Paupeck Creek, near this village, including the Wallenpaupack Falls, upon which they purpose erecting immediately a large stone building, 500 feet in length and 150 in width, and three stories high, for the manufacture of silk. The new enterprise will give employment to from 500 to 600 men. Since the purchase, real estate here has advanced 20 per cent, and there is a prospect of a still further advance.

THE BRITISH PARTY FEUDS

PREPARATIONS FOR THE APPROACHING ELECTIONS.

EFFECT OF THE POLITICAL EXCITEMENT ON THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE—THE CONSERVATIVES AND LIBERALS BOTH CONFIDENT—OPPOSITION ADDRESSES IN REPLY TO THE PREMIER'S MANIFESTO.

LONDON, March 10.—The Stock Exchange showed the effect of the approaching dissolution of Parliament yesterday in a sharp decline in consols and most home securities, on the theory that a general election means an increased demand for money. It is calculated that the expenditures of the candidates will aggregate over $2,000,000, which amount must mainly be withdrawn from London and sent to the Provinces. There was a severe panic in water stocks, as a dissolution of Parliament is a practical abandonment of the bill introduced in the House of Commons by the Right Hon. R. Assheton Cross, Home Secretary, and the impression prevails that the announcements of the terms for the purchase of the waterworks in that bill has damaged, almost beyond recovery, any chance of making a good bargain for the companies in future. Some shares fell nearly £50 from Monday's closing prices, and all left off yesterday at a relapse varying from £10 to £40.

Both the Conservative and Liberal Parties profess to be convinced of their success in the coming elections; but neither side claims to expect a very decided majority. The supporters of the Government admit that they are likely to lose a number of Scotch and Irish votes, but say that, after deducting all doubtful constituencies, they will retain a majority of from 20 to 30. The Liberals, on the other hand, seem in good spirits and appear confident of success. On all hands the prospect of an appeal to the constituencies seems to be regarded with a feeling of relief and satisfaction.

It is said that Mr. Shaw's address in reply to the Prime Minister's manifesto, which is printed below, represents the tone to be adopted by his Home Rule followers. It is calculated that in Ireland seven Conservatives will lose their seats and be replaced by Home Rulers; that eight Conservatives will be replaced by Liberals, and that two Liberals will be replaced by Home Rulers. On the other hand, the several Home Rule contests will be watched narrowly, and where opportunity offers a Conservative will be brought forward. The Home Rulers count on returning with 70 votes, and the active section claims 30 of these will support Mr. Parnell.

A telegram from Dublin says: "There is much anxiety manifested on both sides as to the result of the coming elections in Ireland. None of the parties are feeling at all confident, but are rather apprehensive. The Conservatives, though strong in their unison, look with much concern at their prospect in the North, and the Liberals, pure and simple, are still more alarmed at the subject of affairs in the other Provinces. The Home Rulers—never very cordially united—are disorganized, and in the absence of Mr. Parnell, the party which, though small, seemed to be gaining the ascendant, and to be more firmly knitted together by its progressive policy, are as perplexed as the rest. It is expected that there will be a general scramble, in which many seats will be lost and won by the different sections, according to the skill and energy with which the chances and opportunities of the occasion are taken advantage of; but the belief is entertained by many shrewd observers that in the counties the more advanced section of Nationalists will obtain more strength, while in the boroughs a more moderate policy will find favor. The Right Hon. Dwyer Gray is expected to be elected again after himself to the electors of the County Tipperary. He is spoken of as a possible candidate for the City of Dublin, and his friends declare that he intends to retire from Parliament altogether."

The Right Hon. William E. Forster, one of the Liberal leaders in the House of Commons, in an address to the electors of Bradford, says:

"Lord Beaconsfield has thought fit to charge his political opponents with attempts to enfeeble our colonies, and to pursue a policy of disintegration of the United Empire. The charge is groundless, and only have been made in the hope of thereby diverting the attention of the public from the mischievous foreign and Indian policy of himself and his colleagues, and from their proved incompetence to deal with domestic reform. I agree with Lord Beaconsfield that the strength of this nation depends on the unity of feeling in which should pervade the United Kingdom and its widespread dependencies, but I believe that the government of England can only be upheld by a firm and consistent policy wise and just, and by a home policy which will increase the welfare of the people; and while I am determined to maintain the union with Ireland, I am also determined to do what in me lies to make Irishmen as anxious as Englishmen and Scotchmen to preserve the Union."

Mr. Forster will speak at Bradford next Monday. Mr. William Shaw, the Home Rule leader, in an address issued to-day, says:

"The Prime Minister has not thought it beneath his position to issue an electioneering manifesto, placing false issues before the electors of the Empire, and tending to excite the worst passions of the ignorant. There has been no Ministry within my memory by which more has been done for the improvement and contentment of the people of Ireland. Its distress, now so general, deepening in some places into famine, was, at an early period, brought before the attention of her Majesty's Government, and if the measures then earnestly recommended had been promptly and generously adopted, this wide-spread suffering would have been, to a great extent, prevented, and the people would have been saved from the shame the Government with gross and culpable ignorance and neglect. They have not taken timely, prudent, or adequate measures to avert or mitigate the Prime Minister, not for the first time, misrepresents the general opinion of the people of Ireland as expressed by a majority of her representatives, in favor of self-government for domestic affairs, at all. It means the dismemberment of the Empire. No one knows better that the Prime Minister that that is not a true statement of the case. We mean by Home Rule, not that the connection between the two countries should be destroyed, but that the relationship may be placed on a healthy, natural, honest basis, and we seek this object by strictly legal and constitutional means. The Prime Minister knows this, but he thinks it a good cry for the Jingo electors, and he seeks to make party profit in the constitutional struggle with a life in their right hand. There is another Irish question on which the Government has been more reactionary than ever, I mean the land question. I call on the Irish people, North and South, to answer the insulting missive of the Prime Minister by returning an overwhelming majority at the coming election pledged to the settlement of the great vital national question; pledged to give ample facilities for the creation of a peasant proprietary wherever possible to tenants desiring it, and equally insure right in Ulster, and extend it to the whole of Ireland. We must sink all minor differences, put aside all personal feelings and lend every energy to effect this great object."

The Marquis of Hartington has issued the following address to the electors of North-east Lancashire, which constitutes the manifesto of the Liberal Party:

"I seek to evade no issues which the Government may choose to raise, and, if necessary, that they should be plainly stated, and others which Lord Beaconsfield evades, be brought before you. I know of no party which challenges the expediency of the imperial character of the realm, or which has attempted to enfeeble the colonies by a policy of decomposition. If the colonies are now more loyal, and willing to undertake the common responsibility of burdens which must be borne by all members of the great Empire, is it due to the self-governing institutions and principles of self-reliance which they received from Liberal statesmen. No patriotic purpose is served by exaggerated language in describing the agitation for home rule. I believe that demand impracticable, and, considering that any concession thereto would be mischievous to the prosperity of all of the three Kingdoms, I have consistently opposed it, both when in office and in opposition, and shall continue to do so. The Home Rule agitation manifested during the whole of this Parliament. The Government has hitherto treated it with indifference, if not indulgence. The attempt to revoke national enactments by a conspiracy of disorder, has been attended with famine, appeals unnecessary and invidious. The agitation must be met not by passionate exaggeration, but by firm, consistent resistance, combined with proof that Imperial Parliament is willing to grant every reasonable and just demand of the Irish for equal laws and institutions. We, regardless of party considerations, co-operated with the Government in the Irish educational measures, although we thought that in some respects the provisions had not calculated to effect a final settlement, because we thought they gave proof to the Irish people of the desire of all parties in Parliament to meet reasonable demands. We could easily, if we considered only party interests, have caused a conflict between the peers of Ireland and the Government, as the Conservatives did when the Liberal Government attempted to deal with the same question. Much still remained to be done in removing inequalities of law which are to the disadvantage of Ireland before we can hope the Irish will be convinced of the impartiality of Parliament.

"As the Lord Beaconsfield's claim to have maintained the peace of Europe, the Government did not prevent, even if they did not cause, the war in the East. The ascendency of England has been disclosed in circulars and not surrendered in secret conventions. The declared object of their policy has been frustrated by the aggrandizement of Russia and the dismemberment of the Independence and integrity of Turkey. The Anglo-Turkish Convention, which is the keystone of the settlement of the Eastern question, which the Government claims to have effected, remains a dead letter. The Greek frontier question is as far from settlement as ever. Thus, the Government's policy has failed, but the immense responsibilities incurred by England remain. The African war brought neither honor nor advantage. In Afghanistan the Government have destroyed a nation whose independence, strength, and friendship they declared, in common with their predecessors, important to the safety of the frontier of India. The fewer of the Indian Army are still employed quelling the ruins they have made and repressing the anarchy they have let loose. The Government has involved India in immense present expense and immense permanent charges for the future, at a time when it is only possible to balance the finances by the reduction of necessary public works. The just influence of England in Europe is the object which the Liberals pursued, with at least as much sincerity and fertility more success than the present Government. The measures of Mr. Gladstone's Government to protect Belgium may be well contrasted with the results of Lord Beaconsfield's Turkish policy. The influence of England is not based on bonds of ascendancy over Europe, but rests on firmness and moderation of conduct, based on the material and moral strength of our position, and exercised in concert with other nations on behalf of peace, justice, and freedom. The Government, when calling the country to re-establish the influence of England, which they allege has been arrested, fail to give the highest indication of the objects to which that influence is to be directed.

"The domestic consequences of a restless and undecided foreign policy have been stagnation of internal reforms and financial confusion. If our statesmen had so neglected internal affairs for display abroad, the power and influence of England, which are founded on constant progress of the moral and material resources of the people, would never have existed. Are we now to be content with the results which have been accomplished in the eyes of the world, and neglect the means by which they were obtained?

"It is acknowledged that the system of popular representation in Parliament is still incomplete. The principle of local self-government is yet imperfectly applied in rural districts. Obsolete laws still hinder the natural distribution of land. The Government admit the existence of this question, but there is no indication of any serious attempt to solve it. The Government's incapacity for practical legislation is demonstrated by the Water bill. Dissolution in the middle of the session shows that Legislative labors are treated as of no concern. The Chancellor of the Exchequer must, to-morrow, explain how he proposes to deal with the deficit accumulated during these years. He must either acknowledge that the Government shrink from asking the people to defray the annual charge of their policy, or ask sacrifices from the tax-payers which would grievously check reviving trade and industry. The Ministers entered office when the financial condition of the country was eminently satisfactory. They undertook to relieve distress in interests which they alleged had been neglected. I ask the electors to consider whether they have benefited any class or whether the interests on all sides have not been increased.

"The Liberal Party can offer no special favor to any class or interest; it can only undertake that while upholding the power of the Empire, securing the safety of our own country, and maintaining its possessions, they will engage in no policy of disturbance or unsettlement for annexation. Such policy will, in our opinion, best promote the greatness and prosperity of the whole country and secure the welfare of every section of the community."

The following address has been issued by Sir Stafford Northcote to the electors of North Devon:

"The duration of the present Parliament has been long, but its age is not to be measured by the number of years it has so much as by the importance of the events which occurred during its existence. Throughout a period of uncommon difficulty and anxiety it has upheld the honor of the country, and vindicated its claims to its proper rank and influence among the nations. It has received at the hands of the nation generous recognition of its services. Its foreign, colonial, and domestic policy have all been animated by the same spirit and the same determination to uphold the greatness, integrity, and Constitution of the Empire, and to knit together the various races who owe allegiance to the Queen. It has labored in avert war, and where that has been impossible it has successfully striven to limit its range, and to prevent complications which would have been menacing to the particular interests of the country and the general peace of Europe. It has emphatically manifested the national determination to maintain, strengthen, and defend the Colonial and Indian Empire. It has earnestly promoted measures for the advancement of the true interests of Ireland, while it has steadily resisted proposals tending to weaken the tie which bind the United Kingdom. In domestic legislation it has kept in view the importance of aiming at the general good of the community. It has been able to effect substantial improvements in many laws affecting the great industrial classes. After a period of commercial depression, and of unusually severe agricultural losses, during which we have had to incur the expense of defending our interests in three different quarters of the globe, the taxation of the country is lighter than in almost any year previous to the accession of the present Government to power, while the real amount of national debt stands now at eighteen millions below the sum at which we found it. The war into which, but for a decided policy, we should probably have been drawn, would have been extremely burdensome to the tax-payer. I trust that the period of anxiety is drawing to a close. Should the elections result in a reward of confidence in the present Ministry, it will be our earnest endeavor to show ourselves worthy thereof, by pursuing the same policy which we maintained in sight of the Empire and the world."

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20 per cent, and abolishes compulsory pilotage on outward-bound vessels. It also contains a clause that will authorize steam pilots.

Mr. Jacobs's bill relative to Judges provides that whenever any Judge or Justice of the Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court, or any of the Superior city courts, shall resign because of ill-health, and shall file a certificate with the Secretary of State to that effect, together with a certificate that such resignation is caused by ill health, signed by all the Justices of the Judicial Department in which he was elected, such Judge or Justice so resigning shall be paid during each year remaining in the term for which he was elected as if such resignation had not been made, an amount equal to one-half his salary.

Most of this morning's session of the Assembly was spent in third reading of bills. None of the bills passed were of special interest. One bill introduced, and indorsed with the name of Mr. Brodsky, appears to be an attempt to set aside a better bill passed last Winter. The bill referred to was to cut off the fees of Coroners and give them a salary of $5,000. Mr. Brodsky's bill is entitled "An act to better regulate Coroners' inquests in the City and County of New-York," and it provides that a Coroner shall receive $5 for summoning each jury, and $5 for making and filing each inquest, and repeals all other acts regarding Coroners that conflict with it. Mr. Mitchell's bill provides that Police Justices hereafter to be appointed shall have had at least three years' practice as attorneys before they can accept nomination to the judicial office. Mr. Terpeny's bill extends the time for payment of arrears of taxes on personal estate to Jan. 1, 1881, at 6 per cent. Mr. Wolfe's bill, changing the manner of securing the Commissioners of Education, was recommitted to the Committee on Public Education for further hearing.

The Tax Committee is holding two sessions a day, before and after the meeting of the Assembly, and is industriously considering the matter referred to them.

The Robbin's Reef Island bill will have probably its last hearing to-morrow in the Federal Relations Committee, of which Mr. Case, of Ontario, is Chairman. The promoters of the bill will then be seen for the first time this session.

SMYTH OPEN TO SUSPICION.

A TRANSACTION AS AN OFFICER WHICH MIGHT BE PROMPTED BY REVENGEFUL FEELINGS.

ALBANY, March 10.—The paragraph which the Albany *Journal* printed on Friday last, referring to another transaction by a State officer, which would make a "companion picture to the piece of petty abortion" made by Mr. C. E. Smith, its discharged editor, in seeking to have a Receiver appointed for the *Journal*, has been given a new meaning. The *Argus* printed a paragraph to this effect:

"There are outgivings that arrangements were on foot summarily to foreclose the $60,000 or $80,000 mortgage held by a New-York life insurance company on the property of Weed, Parsons & Co., whose proprietary and business relations to the *Journal* are known."

Yesterday Senator Strahan offered a resolution, which the Senate adopted, calling for the correspondence on this subject between the Insurance Department and any life insurance company about any mortgage on the property of Weed, Parsons & Co. The correspondence has now been published. It comprises four letters. The first, bearing date Feb. 25, 1880, is a request to the Vice-President of the Mutual Life Company, R. A. McCurdy, from John A. McCall, Jr., of the Insurance Department, for the copy of an appraisal of the property of Weed, Parsons & Co., made by Lansing Pruyn. The same day Mr. McCurdy sent the document, with an explanation, from which it appeared that at the time the printing office of Weed, Parsons & Co. was burned down they rebuilt it, and on the new building got from the Mutual Life a loan on mortgage of $60,000. Mr. Pruyn made the valuation for the company at $190,000, viz., buildings, $130,000; land, $60,000. Eighteen months ago Weed, Parsons & Co. requested the Mutual Company to reduce the interest from 7 to 6 per cent. The company agreed to this if, on reappraisal, the report was satisfactory. The reappraisal was made by Superintendent Eaton, (of the new Capitol,) and the Albany agent of the company. Prices were very low at this time, and the appraisers put the property at $115,000. The company suggested that the mortgage be reduced to $50,000, and they would reduce the interest. This was agreed to, so that the mortgage now on Weed, Parsons & Co.'s building is for that amount, at 6 per cent.

The correspondence between Mr. McCall and Mr. McCurdy, it will be seen, took place about the time of the holding of the State Convention, and was immediately after the time that the proprietors of the *Journal* discharged Charles E. Smith, the editor, for his chief-and-thin support of Smyth's renomination.

A few days after Superintendent Smyth wrote to Mr. Winston, the President of the Mutual Company, a remarkable letter. It is as follows:

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,
ALBANY, March 1, 1880.

F. S. Winston, Esq., President Mutual Life Insurance Company, No. 144 Broadway, New-York City:

DEAR SIR: Since receiving your letter of 25th ultimo, concerning a mortgage which you hold upon certain property of Messrs. Weed, Parsons & Co., and upon which the *Evening Journal* property is stated in your letter—I beg to inform you that in consequence of my attention having lately been called to the subject, I deem it my duty to address to you this communication. I think that if you will cause a revaluation of the premises to be made, by some competent and disinterested individual, that you will agree with me that the valuation by the late Mr. Pruyn was at least double what the property was worth, even at that time. I have seen a valuation, made a few days ago by an experienced, skilled person, who makes it as follows:

Ground	$10,000
Building	35,000
Total	$45,000

with this memorandum: "If a force sale, I do not think it would bring more than $35,000." This valuation I deem pretty nearly correct, subject to this explanation, that the valuation includes a corner lot 24 feet and 6 inches on Columbia-street and 74 feet and 7 inches on Broadway, which corner lot, if I am correctly informed, your mortgage does not cover. This lot, I am advised, is worth about $6,000, which amount would, therefore, fall to be deducted from the above $45,000, and is mortgaged to the Schenectady Savings Bank for $20,000. Only one of the buildings is on Weed, Parsons & Co.'s land, the other two having their houses heavily mortgaged. I venture to suggest to you that the usual care evinced by you in making investments has not been exercised, and that it is your duty, if you, upon investigation, find the statement in this letter to be true, to call in enough upon this loan, so that the statute will be complied with. The taxes for the year 1879, past due, are not yet paid.

Very respectfully yours, JOHN F. SMYTH,
Superintendent.

It is supposed that the object of Senator Strahan's resolution was to bring out this correspondence. Now that it has been made known, the question arises why Superintendent Smyth did not discover sooner—before Mr. Smith left the *Journal* office—that Mr. Winston had not evinced the usual care in making investments. The order for a revaluation is declared to be based on a secret valuation by a friend of Smyth, one Robert K. Oliver, "a pet henchman who never sneezes except when his master takes snuff," and it appears that he has valued the property in question very much below the figure given by the City Assessors, who only assessed it at $65,000 for purposes of taxation.

The *Journal* says: "The animus of this whole matter is as palpable, and the indecent haste with which Smyth has tried to get even with the *Journal* is so apparent, that his fellow-citizens find in it new evidence of his unfitness for any place of responsibility or trust." It further appears that on Feb. 17, when Smyth had been sent in for Superintendent of Insurance, Charles E. Smith made a proposition to buy a controlling interest in the *Journal*. Mr. Parsons refused, and, it is believed, this attack, in an underhand way, was urged and carried out by Smyth as a punishment for the refusal to permit the *Journal* to be bought and used as his organ.

LIGHT ON THE BELDEN CASES.

RUMORS IN REGARD TO UNDERHAND BARGAINS WITH KELLY AND THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S ELECTION.

ALBANY, March 10.—The talk about the appeal in the Belden case has brought to light a reported bargain which may account for the new position taken by the Beldens in the politics of this State, and which is spoken of as a possible reason for the lenient action of the Attorney-General in the $400,000 canal case. It is said that Belden & Co. are indebted to John Kelly for favors extended to them in New-York in the way of obtaining contracts. Having fortified themselves with Kelly, they were able, it is said, to promise Kelly substantial help in the last election. Through Kelly, it is said, they succeeded in having Democratic State Makes printed and distributed by Democrats, having the name of Hamilton Ward on the Democratic ticket headed by Kelly, in place of that of Augustus Schoonmaker. Kelly, it appears, was friendly to Ward's election, because in the event of his election it was asserted that a blow would be struck at the Tilden men which would seriously annoy them. It is even said that the probability of a speedy disposition of the Belden case, as one of the relics of Tilden's boasted reform administration, was to be one of the rewards for the election of anybody besides Augustus Schoonmaker.

The earnestness of the Syracuse people for Ward's nomination is suggested as being stimulated by the hope of just such a disposition of the Belden suit as it is believed by them the Court of Appeals would make of it if it was sent to them on the decision of the General Term, reversing the finding of the Referees in behalf of the State. That they worked for Ward is not denied, and the boast was made that he had received a larger vote than any other candidate on the Republican State ticket. Again, at Utica, in the last convention, the Belden interest, under direction of the Republican allies of Tammany Hall, worked industriously with the "machine," and succeeded in obtaining the delegation from Onondaga to Chicago. It is regarded as only natural thing that the Attorney-General, knowing that the Beldens had been exceedingly busy in his behalf, should be friendly to them, and fall easily into the error of helping them out by a disagreeable contest with the State in the easiest manner, in preference to continuing an already tiresome litigation.

OPPOSING ANTI-DISCRIMINATION.

FEATURES OF THE GREAT GATHERING AT ALBANY—POINTS OF MR. BUTTER'S ARGUMENT.

ALBANY, March 10.—One may just as well as not conclude that the great railroad corporations of this State are determined, if possible, to defeat two of the bills of the Hepburn committee. The demonstration now making against the Anti-Discrimination bill is the most gigantic ever undertaken by the railroads to protect themselves against legislation. The oldest legislator here, ex-Gov. Alvord, says he never saw anything like the rush to the capital that has been seen for two days past. That the coming of so imposing a crowd will have its effect there can be no doubt. One hears many timid, easily-impressed members already expressing their fears that the Anti-Discrimination bill will be killed.

There are a few persons in the Legislature who have not been so profoundly impressed by the parade and pomp of capital as gathered yesterday in the Assembly Chamber as to have lost all hope that something may yet be done to protect the large body of small manufacturers who were not represented in that meeting. The Chairman of the Railroad Committee, Mr. Skinner, who yesterday visited by several merchants and manufacturers composing the visiting party, and these were fair-minded and intelligent, but under the fear of the railroads except in private, expressed to him their hope that he would not give up the fight easily. Yesterday was the time set apart for the railroad managers to make their arguments, but the programme was changed for some reason, and the merchants were set on in a body to rank to say the first word of opposition. That the instances can be multiplied of men who are appearing here as opponents of the bill, when their convictions are favorable to it, there is no doubt. Two very heavy manufacturers, each of whom were silent witnesses and listeners to the proceedings yesterday, privately said that they were of the opinion that the Anti-Discrimination bill should become a law, but as their special rates would be in danger if they did not come, and it was uncertain what the Legislature would do, they felt that their own interests should be taken care of in case the amendments of the Legislature should be that no change should be made.

The friends of the Anti-Discrimination bill began to arrive last evening in large numbers, among those who are to figure as speakers on the affirmative side being Mr. E. B. Thurber, representing the New-York Chamber of Commerce. The throng of people on both sides of the question was so great that the hotels were overcrowded. The persistency and confidence of the opponents of the bill were matched by the industry and zeal of the friends of the measure, and members who had made up their minds that the bills were no good as dead began to find out that the argument was not all one-sided, or that the feeling was all one way. The members of the Special Railroad Committee complain that they have been subjected to very severe criticism, much of it entirely unjust. The intimation has been made that they are not familiar with their own bills. This is certainly unjust. Mr. Duguid has appeared on several occasions on committee, and has very manfully and intelligently stood by the work of the committee, explaining the provisions of the different bills. Mr. Baker, another member of the committee, and Mr. Low, another member, have shown themselves quite familiar with the details of all the bills.

The meeting this afternoon in the Assembly Chamber was held to give the Central and Erie representatives an opportunity to be heard. The gathering was by no means so large as that of yesterday. Mr. James H. Rutter, of the Central Railroad, was the first speaker. He read a long and carefully-prepared argument against the bill, which he discussed by sections. He spoke for an hour, and was succeeded by Mr. George R. Blanchard, of the Erie Railway.

The main points of Mr. Rutter's argument are as follows: He claimed that, although nominally an exclusive freight measure, in reality the bill aimed to regulate passenger traffic as well. The first section of the bill was ambiguous, and might be so construed as to prohibit two rates of fare on the same train, while it would prohibit the giving of special rates to societies and other incorporated bodies. The first section would also compel railroads in this State to operate against the commercial interests of New-York City and State, and to become the unwilling tools of competing communities and roads. New-York roads would have no protection under the bill, nor would the roads protect New-York jobbers. The requirement that roads should make their rates public would enable the canal boatmen to know to a certainty just how much to cut under in order to get the big shippers. Mr. Rutter declared that this was the only the road the bill would fully touch, while under it the inter-State roads could do serious injury to the Central, and to the jobbing trade of the State. He objected to the term "class" in the second section, saying that if the bill must pass, "class" should be changed to "kind." Another objection was that the bill failed to provide for a division of rates between roads, and another was "the utter impossibility of proportioning freight rates to distances, as this bill aimed to do. Section 3 was objected to by Mr. Rutter, because it would kill the express business on the roads, and make it impossible for the latter to keep their business secrets from competitors out of the State. Furthermore, the section "will either ruin every manufacturer in the State, or drive them out of it." The section in section 5 he thought should go the State and in no case to individuals. His final objections were that the bill generally prohibited the railroads from encouraging and assisting manufacturers, while no opportunity was allowed for the exercise of any judgment whatever.

Mr. Blanchard, in addition to the report sent in yesterday, said he wanted to know whether the charter granted to the Erie Railway Company by the preceding Legislature was of any value to the company. If it was, then he failed to see what right the Legislature, or any committee of the Legislature, had to present a bill which in fact deprived the company that he represented as well as the New-York Central, of the privileges and franchises they enjoyed. The first section of the bill required them to give all persons equal terms and facilities for the transportation of all persons and property, and covered all classes of passengers, express, and mails. He inquired the meaning of the term "equal facilities and accommodations." The company might give a pass to some one over its road, and according to this act every person on the train will have a right to demand a pass or else they would not have equal rights and privileges. As to freights, if they ran through live stock and perishable freights at 20 miles an hour, must they move freight and salt at the same rate? Clearly they must under this act. A man would also have a right to demand that the company should build new stations and sidings and warehouses for his accommodation, or else he would not have equal facilities and accommodations with his neighbor who might live eight miles off and at the station. He then treated of differential rates, and passed on to consider the effect of the act on railroads, which were compelled to forward merchandise through and inquired whether the road would be responsible if the next or second road failed or refused to observe the directions. He then considered the car-load as being the unit of shipment and claimed that they had rates that the load of which was 6, 12, and 15 tons, and he wanted to know which of these was to be the unit.

NOMINATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day:

Supervisors of the Census—John Henry Thomas, for the Second District of Ohio; Henry A. Towne, fourth District of Ohio; Charles P. Jadwin, Fifth District of Pennsylvania; Admiral A. Ferryman, Second District of Alabama; William W. Hicks, District of Florida; James S. Barron, First District of Mississippi; Francis M. Chrisman, Second District of Arkansas.

Promotions in the Navy—Pay Inspector Cuthbert P. Wallush, to be a Pay Director; Paymaster Ambrose J. Clark, to be a Pay Inspector; Master Joseph M. Murdock, to be a Lieutenant; Ensign Edmund R. Underwood, to be a Master; Midshipman William B. Hoag, to be an Ensign.

John L. Haynes, Collector of Customs for the District of Brazos de Santiago, Texas; Samuel G. Bedwell, Postmaster at Yazoo City, Miss.

The Senate, in executive session to-day, confirmed the following nominations: John Chestnut, to be Supervisor of Census for Sixth District of Illinois; Henry S. French, Postmaster at Northfield, Minn.; Elliott S. Morson, of Pennsylvania, Secretary of Wyoming Territory; Charles A. Dudley, of Virginia, Registrar of Public Moneys at Florence, Arizona.

The Senate to-day rejected the nomination of William R. Brown as Census Supervisor for the Eighth District of Illinois. This nomination was rejected by a party vote upon the ground that at least one of the state Illinois Supervisors should have been selected from the Democracy. The other seven Republicans have been confirmed.

WORK OF THE RAILROADS

BEGINNING OF NEW LINES AND OPERATIONS OF OLD ONES.

EXTENDING SUMMER RESORT COMMUNICATIONS—ELECTION OF DIRECTORS—J. H. RUTTER'S PROMOTION—A NEW ROAD IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

TRENTON, N. J., March 10.—Articles of incorporation of the New-York and Long Branch Extension Railroad were filed to-day in the office of the Secretary of State. The road is to commence at Sea-Girt station, on the New-York and Long Branch Railroad, in Monmouth County, and end at a point on Arnold-avenue, Point Pleasant, Ocean County, a distance of 2½ miles. The Directors named are F. S. Lathrop, Anthony Rechlen, Benjamin Williamson, Henry S. Little, William H. Tillinghast, R. W. De Forrest, and James Moore. The capital stock is $50,000, divided into 500 shares of $100 each. The work on the new road will be commenced at once.

CLEVELAND, March 10.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Cleveland, Tuscarawas Valley and Wheeling Railway Company was held here to-day. President Chamberlain's report shows that the earnings were $446,749, and the expenses, $284,430. The net earnings were $162,319. The following full Board of Directors was re-elected: Selah Chamberlain, W. S. Streeter, Amasa Stone, James Mason, and R. P. Myers, of Cleveland, Ohio; E. T. Ensley and W. W. Hitchway, of Bridgeport, Ohio; Clement Russell, of Massillon, Ohio, and H. B. Perkins, of Warren, Ohio.

OTTAWA, Ontario, March 10.—The promoters of the Canada and Atlantic Railway express the determination to go on with the construction of the road, independent of the building of the Ottawa bridge. They feel that once the road is built, little difficulty will be experienced in securing the construction of even a high-level bridge.

ALBANY, March 10.—J. H. Rutter, General Traffic Manager of the New-York Central and Hudson River Railroad, received a telegram to-day from New-York, to the effect that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of that road he was elected Third Vice-President.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 10.—The citizens of Augusta voted to-day in favor of subscribing $50,000 to the Augusta and Knoxville Railroad to build a bridge across the Savannah River. The road is graded from Augusta to Greenwood, S. C., and will soon be ready for rails.

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, March 10.—Late letters from Newfoundland state it is proposed to build a railway from St. John to Harbor Grace, at a cost of £300,000. Newfoundland's portion of the fishery award will probably be spent on this work.

CHICAGO, March 10.—The Passenger Agents of roads leading west from this city and St. Louis, to-day adopted a resolution to limit the rates on emigrant business from New-York and other seaports, which they will exact from the trunk lines. Their action will be submitted through Commissioner Fink to the trunk line agents. A strict agreement to accept only tariff rates for emigrant business was also signed, and a penalty for violation of the agreement was fixed.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 10.—The Hartford and Connecticut Valley Railroad Company, successors of the former Connecticut Valley Road, which was sold under foreclosure, organized to-day and elected the following Directors: Samuel Babcock, of Middletown; Timothy M. Allyn and Charles T. Hillyer, of Hartford; Chester W. Chapin, of Springfield; Richard D. Hubbard, Henry Kellogg, Charles M. Beach, and Franklin Chamberlin, of Hartford, and Daniel C. Spencer, of Saybrook. The election of officers was postponed.

THE UNION PACIFIC RAILWAY.

THE OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF ITS TRANSACTIONS IN 1879.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Pacific Railway Company was held yesterday at No. 68 Broadway. The Board of Directors and the officers chosen at the consolidation on Jan. 24 were re-elected without change. The annual report of the railroad company (the former Union Pacific Line) gives the gross earnings during 1879 as $13,201,077 66, and the operating expenses and taxes as $5,475,508 44, leaving as surplus earnings $7,725,574 22. Adding $423,014 50, interest collected on investment securities, gives a total of $8,148,588 72. The payments for interest, dividends, sinking funds, and on account of subsidy bonds aggregated $6,952,427 37, leaving a surplus for future use of $1,196,161 35. During the year $1,000,000 collateral trust bonds were issued for the construction of branch roads, $94,000 sinking fund bonds were sold, and the following were redeemed and canceled: $585,000 land grant bonds, $1,000 income bonds, $138,000 sinking fund bonds, and $63,000 Omaha bridge bonds, making a net decrease of $307,000, and placing the funded debt on Dec. 31, 1879, at $50,495,000. The company owns other companies' bonds of a par value of $7,990,500, and stocks of a par value of $3,669,400. The gross earnings as compared with those of 1878 show an increase of $79,805 08, and the operating expenses an increase of $98,917 25, making a decrease of surplus earnings this year of $19,112 17. The passenger earnings increased $17,540 20, and the freight earnings, $115,892 13. The Government earnings increased $34,433 81. The several earnings were $488,645 92 for 12 months in 1879, and $360,840 90 for 10 months in 1879. The business has been turned over to the Pacific Express Company in exchange for stock. The construction expenses aggregated $128,398 39, but the sale of four locomotives and of some land at Omaha reduced these to $101,456 93. Ten new locomotives and four new box cars were added to the rolling stock during the year. This now includes 171 locomotives, 165 passenger, baggage, and sleeping cars, and 3,520 freight cars.

The production of coal was 340,152 tons, an increase over 1878 of 64,357 tons, at a cost of $363,249 16. The sales of coal aggregated 125,662¼ tons, an increase of 23,422¼ tons, and the receipts therefrom amounted to $710,015, an increase of $52,776 75. The report says: "The demand for coal has been very large, and the company have been unable to furnish all that was wanted. It will be necessary to open other mines in order to meet this increased demand. This will be done this season. Oil has been discovered during the last year about 90 miles from the road, due north from Point of Rocks Station. Thorough tests have been made of it, and it is found to be as good as any that can be bought in the market, and it is being used largely on the road. There is said to be an inexhaustible supply of it. It is already being offered for transportation, and it will probably soon become quite a prominent article of transportation, and add another to the local resources of the road." The sales of land amounted to 243,337.01 acres, at $1,007,855 53, as compared with 1878, of 75,566.16 acres, and the receipts therefrom were $1,007,855 53, a decrease of $548,226 69. The total sales to Dec. 31, 1879, were 1,568,428 62-100 acres. The total proceeds were $8,173,846 35, and the total expenses $1,989,877 65, leaving net, $6,283,969 70. The total of land grant bonds canceled to Dec. 31, 1879, were $4,101,000, leaving outstanding $6,399,000. Including outstanding contracts and cash, the amount applicable to the payment of these was $3,976,656 78, leaving to be provided for by future sales $2,422,479 22.

The Omaha and Republican Valley Railroad has been extended to Stromsburg, in Polk County, making its total length 90 miles. It is now being further extended to Lincoln, the capital of the State. The Utah and Northern Railroad was extended 94 miles last year, making its present length 274 miles from Ogden, Utah, to Beaver Cañon, Colorado. It will be extended 30 miles further north this year. It is intended to extend the Summit County Railroad to Park City this year. The Utah Southern Road has been extended south 130 miles, and will be completed to Frisco early in April, which is about 235 miles from Salt Lake. A branch road has been built northerly from the Union Pacific from Jackson to Norfolk, 48 miles. Several lines have been surveyed for a road to Oregon, but as yet the route has not been decided upon. The Oregon Railway and Navigation Company are extending their road eastwardly, and will connect with a road from the East at the eastern boundary of that State.

President Dillon gives a history of the consolidation with the Kansas and Denver Pacific Roads, and says: "The stock of the Denver Pacific Railway and Telegraph Company, under the laws of Kansas, was an asset of the Kansas Pacific Railway Company, and had been applied by that company to the purchase of branch lines, to which ownership of the consolidated company has succeeded." The total length of branch roads owned or controlled is given at 1,597 miles. In view of the foregoing statement "the company has not yet paid any money to the Government under the Sinking Fund act. The amount due the company from the Government on half transportation account in the past years has been sufficient to meet any such requirement. By the provisions of the sinking fund the Secretary of the Treasury is required to invest the sinking fund in the bonds of the Government. It is proposed to have the first mortgage bonds of the company also included in this provision."

THE GREAT SOUTHERN COMBINATION.

The Directors of the Louisville and Nashville Company have purchased from Trustee Raynor, of the New-Orleans and Mobile Company, enough of the bonds of the latter company to place them in possession of two-thirds of the entire amount, so that when the road is sold under foreclosure they will have no difficulty in assuming immediate control. Vice-President Newcomb says that the reorganized road will be bonded for only $5,000,000, making its first charges but $900,000 per annum. It cost $12,000,000. It is said to be the best-built road in the country. It is 140 miles long, and runs over water on piles and bridges nearly all the way. Its rails are all steel. It has shops capable of turning out rolling stock for 500 miles of road. These will be utilized for furnishing the southern half of the Louisville and Nashville Line. Its terminal facilities on the levee at New-Orleans have recently been enlarged and improved so that the thorough combination will be able to make direct connection with steamers for Texas. The company has been greatly bothered by a worm within and into the piles. It had these all covered with copper without effect. Recently a creosote factory was erected at a cost of $100,000, and the new piles have been submitted to the action of this specific, which has proved an efficient preservative. The factory will be utilized to treat all the wood used in bridges along the entire route of the combination.

THE NEW-JERSEY MIDLAND.

THE STOCKHOLDERS DEMANDING A SHARE UNDER THE REORGANIZATION.

Gen. Thomas D. Haxsey, of Paterson, N. J., yesterday filed in the Court of Chancery a bill to compel the New-Jersey Midland Railway Company, or the new owners of that corporation, to issue to the stockholders of the New-Jersey Western Railway Company 7 per cent. stock, guaranteed, of the Midland Road in exchange for the stock of the former, on failing that, to relinquish to the New-Jersey Western Company that portion of the Midland lying between Hawthorne and Bloomingdale, a distance of about 10 miles, which was located and partly graded by the former company in 1868, 1869, and 1870. This is asked for on the ground that the New-Jersey Midland agreed to issue such stock in 1870, in consideration of the New-Jersey Western stockholders consenting to a consolidation of the roads, which afterward took place, but that the promised exchange of stock never was made, because the Midland would not, or could not, carry out the bargain. Before the Midland was recently sold all the interests concerned were satisfied except that of the stockholders who have just filed this bill for relief, and on the day of the sale Gen. Haxsey gave notice of his intention to bring this action in equity.

A circular to holders of securities of the old New-Jersey Midland Railroad will be issued to-day containing the following information respecting the present standing of the different classes of obligations: First mortgage bonds (committee's certificates) are to receive New first mortgage bonds for the face of the old bonds, and preferred stock for back interest, the preferred stock to carry with it the voting power of the new company; second mortgage bonds (committee's certificates) are to receive for fees and back interest new income bonds, which shall constitute a second mortgage on the property; third mortgage bonds (consolidated) are to receive for face and back interest new income bonds of the same series as those allotted to the second mortgage bonds; the third mortgage bonds are, however, subject to an assessment of 15 per cent. on face and interest. Notes and open accounts, representing the floating debt, to be subject to the same terms as the third mortgage bonds. No definite conclusion has yet been arrived at as to the old stock. This would make the obligations of the reorganized company as follows: New first mortgage bonds, $3,000,000; new second mortgage bonds, $4,850,692; preferred stock, $1,050,000. The old common stock amounts to $1,423,745. From the assessment to the company will have in cash, $423,000. It is asserted that the committee of the first and second mortgage bondholders stands right in favor to four against the above plan, and that the road earned $180,000 net profit last year, which was all applied to improvements, so that now very little further outlay, except for rolling stock that will be needed when its consolidation with the New-York, Ontario and Western Company is effected, will be necessary.

RIVAL CLAIMANTS TO A RAILROAD.

On the 28th of February last an attempt was made by John Clapp, Referee, to sell the Housatonic and Northern Railroad under an order of the Supreme Court, in an action brought by David S. Dunscombe and Erastus F. Mead to foreclose a mortgage made to the Trustees by the company, to secure an issue of bonds amounting to $2,500,000. The property was bid up to $130,000, and knocked down to the Trustees, when a dispute arose, and it was declared that their bid was not binding, because they were not able or willing to comply with the terms of sale, which required the payment of 10 per cent. of the purchase money in cash. The Referee then held and adjourned the sale to the 13th of March. The Trustees paid the auctioneer's fees, $25, and, it being accepted, they claimed the sale as legal and binding. The matter was argued before Judge Gilbert in Brooklyn, on Tuesday afternoon, when he rendered a decision that the Trustees must take the road as an individual bid, but not in their capacity of Trustees; or, if bidding for the rest of the bondholders, they must give the 10 per cent. In case they do not do so, the Referee is authorized to sell the road to a party who, at the recent sale, bid $130,250, and who stands ready to take and pay for it, cash, and who is a director in the road, and also to complete the road and put it in running order. It is understood that the Trustees will not comply with the Judge's order, and that this party, who declines to disclose his identity, will be given the road at the price he bid for it.

A NEW SOUTH-WESTERN POOL.

Official private dispatches received on Wall-street yesterday from St. Louis say that on Tuesday the representatives of the Hannibal and St. Joseph, Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific, and Missouri Pacific Companies held a secret meeting in that City, and formed among themselves a new South-western pool. The question of percentages was referred to W. E. Strong, General Manager of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Company, it being agreed that his decision shall date back to Dec. 1, the date of the virtual disruption of the old pool. All three roads are owned by Jay Gould, and Tuesday's movement consequently means a declaration of war upon the Chicago and Alton, and Pacific, the Chicago and Milwaukee, the Chicago and Alton, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, and the Kansas City, St. Joseph and Council Bluffs Railroads, which were members of the old pool. It also indicates Jay Gould's purpose not to pay the $34,000 due by the Missouri Pacific Company to the old pool.

THE ST. PAUL, CHICAGO AND OMAHA.

It is officially announced that the Boards of Directors of the St. Paul and Sioux City, St. Paul and Minneapolis, and North Wisconsin Railroad Companies have agreed upon the following terms of consolidation: The new road is to be called the St. Paul, Chicago and Omaha. The stock of the St. Paul and Sioux City Company is to be exchanged for stock of the new company at par. The Chicago, St. Paul and Minneapolis stockholders will get for each of their common and preferred shares one and one-third shares of the new company's stock. The North Wisconsin Company will get for its stock, share for share in the new company at the rate of one share of common and one share of preferred for each mile of its road. The new company will have a bonded debt of $11,500 per mile on its 844 miles of road, the bonds to bear 6 per cent. annual interest.

EXPRESSING PUBLIC OPINION.

STATEN ISLAND VILLAGERS DISCUSSING THE CASTLETON CHARTER.

A rather noisy meeting of the tax-payers of the Village of Castleton, Staten Island, was held in the Castleton Town Hall last night for the purpose of obtaining an expression of public opinion on the bill now before the Legislature proposing a change in the charter of the village. The bill was introduced by Assemblyman Oliver Flake, and is now before the Committee on Affairs of Villages. None of its provisions, of course, are of any consequence outside of Castleton, though some of them are radical so far as that community is concerned. The meeting was called by the Board of Village Trustees, of whom were present Messrs. D. J. H. Wheeler, Republican, James Wheeler, Democrat, and Bernard McTammany, Greenbacker, three out of the six Trustees. The most important of the changes made in the proposed charter are those which alter the boundaries of the existing six wards so as to make seven, with seven Trustees; the pooling of all the town moneys, and the collection of the town, school, and village taxes by a single officer, with heavy bonds and ample responsibility, instead of their being collected by separate officers, as at present. The crowd in attendance was a rather seedy and ignorant representation of "tax-payers," with a dozen or fifteen intelligent persons among them. Mr. Wilcox, a young lawyer, explained the meaning and intent of the amendments; but it was quite evident, from the vulgar interruptions of some unclean-looking and whisky-flavored men in the crowd, that that element, at least, of the tax-payers was not in favor of the charter. Then, Mr. Augustus Fyshe, a Democrat, a lawyer, and one of the heaviest tax-payers in the town, got up and opposed the charter by an argument more specious than direct or logical, and was applauded with yells and whistling, while Mr. Wilcox was told by half-drunken idiots to "put out," "sass up," and "sit down." Next, Mr. Wilcox replied to Mr. Prentice, the gentleman contradicted each other fairly several times, and Mr. Prentice did not like it, he was told politely by the hoots of his friends. Trustee Wheeler tried to defend the amendments, and was told to "sit down" and "shut up," but he insisted that "nobody there was going to make him shut up till he had had his say." Next, Mr. Orange Judd spoke adversely to the amendments, and was loudly cheered, and Mr. Prentice said he supposed the Trustees had a resolution of indorsement to offer; if not, he had a resolution to offer. Mr. Wilcox said this was merely a meeting of the Trustees without a quorum, and that they had simply invited discussion. Thomas Healy offered a resolution disapproving of the amendments, and the crowd roared for Mr. Wilcox to put the resolution to a vote. When he questioned his authority to do so, the crowd yelled that they would elect their own President if he didn't, and then a witty Irishman moved that Wilcox be elected Chairman. Mr. Prentice put the motion and it was carried. Then the meeting took charge of itself, and individuals bullied and threatened each other for 10 minutes, but Mr. Wilcox at last put the motion and the resolution was adopted. It is claimed that the main controversy was between Mr. Judd and the friends of George William Curtis, as under the new apportionment of the wards Mr. Judd would be politically extinguished in his election to run for village Trustee at the next election, because the wards have been so mapped out by the bill as to place him of that strength which lies in his own ward as at present bounded, and cutting out a new ward for him in which Mr. Curtis's friends hold the balance of power.

James F. Ely's large elevator and pork-packing establishment, at Washington Court-house, Ohio, caught fire at 11:30 o'clock Tuesday night, and is a total loss. Other valuable buildings were in danger. The loss of Mr. Ely is $35,000; insurance, $17,000.

GENERAL TELEGRAPH NEWS

NEW-JERSEY TOWN ELECTIONS.

THE SOMERSET COUNTY RING CRUSHED—RESULTS IN OTHER COUNTIES.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., March 10.—The result of yesterday's elections in this county crushed the ring very completely. The only real Ring man left in it is Dictator Cory himself. He was re-elected in his own township by receiving 115 votes out of 158 cast, his opponent being Theodore Brogler, a German Republican, who was only nominated the day before election and could not get out the votes. Bain's was a foregone conclusion that the "Boss" should come back, and for that reason the Republicans concentrated their power on Director Jones, of North Plainfield, and with telling effect. They first beat him at the primary last Friday, although he succeeded in getting his name best placed on the ticket—Jos. Martin, Seconick. The Republicans yesterday rallied and beat Seconick by voting for "Cap." Shepherd, a sterling Democrat. The Republican ticket otherwise easily carried the day. Mr. Jones is unscathed, and the anti-Ring people are jubilant. In Branchburg, Hugh Gardner, Republican, a strong anti-Ring man, is returned in place of Peter P. Cramer, Democrat, one of Cory's tools. In Hillsborough, George W. Vroom, Democrat, is returned. He has fought the Ring from the start. John D. Voorhees, Republican, is returned from Bridgewater; he is an anti-Ring man. In Montgomery, Van Cleef, another of Cory's friends, gives way to J. V. D. Whitlock, one of the tax-payers' nominees. The new board stands five Democrats to four Republicans, same as last year, but, as to the Ring, it stands nine against and one (Cory) for the Ring.

MANCHESTER, N. J., March 10.—Six townships in Passaic County held their annual town meetings on Tuesday. Little interest was shown, and in five of them the Republican ticket and in the other a union ticket, mostly composed of Republicans, were successful. Manchester re-elected Elias Lynch Van Houten, Republican, to the Board of Chosen Freeholders for a third term of two years, and the whole Republican ticket by about 60 majority, in a total vote of 104. In Wayne there were only 27 votes polled in opposition to the regular Republican ticket in Little Falls, the regular Republican ticket received all but 30 of the votes polled. Pompton, usually a Democratic township, elected the entire Republican ticket. West Milford, also strongly Democratic, chose Republicans to meet of the others. In Acquackanonk, George V. De Hart, Democrat, was re-elected Chosen Freeholder, with out opposition, on a Union ticket. Acquackanonk and Manchester were the only townships in the county electing Chosen Freeholders this year. The other townships merely elected township officers.

BRIDGEWATER, N. J., March 10.—Early in spring the Democrats in Bergen County allowed themselves to be caught napping, the Republicans quietly working up a "still-hunt," and getting out their full vote. The consequence was that five townships went Republican, and the Republicans nearly secured control of the County Board. Yesterday the Democrats were resolved not to be defeated for want of effort, and made almost as effective a canvass as in a Fall campaign. A full vote in Bergen County means a Democratic victory, and such was the result on Tuesday. The Republicans managed to regain Saddle River, which they lost last year, and their own in Midland and Saddle River, which they captured last Spring from the Democracy, but they lost Englewood, which is usually counted upon as a Republican stronghold, and the Democrats regained Harrington and Washington, lost by them last year, and, in consequence, the County Board, which now contains 5 Republicans and 8 Democrats, will next year stand 3 Republicans to 10 Democrats. The members elected yesterday were: John O. Grode, Democrat, New-Bridge; Cornelius Wood, Democrat, Ridgefield; Henry West, Democrat, Englewood; Peter A. Demarest, Democrat, Harrington; John F. Feltner, Democrat, Lodi; Edo V. Joselson, Democrat, Union; Abram C. Wortendyke, Democrat, Franklin; George Tryon, Democrat, Palisades; Peter Stoppenbach, Democrat, Hohokus; Thomas Eakerson, Democrat, Washington; Martin R. Romaine, Republican, Saddle River, 74 majority; J. C. Zabriskie, Republican, Midland, over ex-Judge Henry R. Voorhis, by 1 majority; Peter O. Terhune, Republican, Ridgewood.

ANDOVER, N. J., March 10.—Returns from Sussex Township show that John G. Hathaway, candidate on the anti-Bradley ticket, is elected by 201 majority.

FREEHOLD, March 10.—Full returns are in from the Monmouth County municipal elections in the towns and cities, and show a gain of two Democrats in the Board of Freeholders. The board now stands nine Democrats to five Republicans.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., March 10.—The

POISONED WITH ALCOHOL

THE LAST FAMOUS MURDER TRIAL IN ENGLAND.

ANNIE MACLEAN'S TERRIBLE DEATH IN A LONDON COFFEE-HOUSE—HER LOVER'S FIENDISH PLOT TO GAIN HER PROPERTY—CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER AND IMPRISONED FOR LIFE.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—After an exhaustive trial of eight days' duration, James Lewis Paine was yesterday convicted of manslaughter, before Mr. Justice Hawkins, in the Central Criminal Court, the jury finding that he had accelerated the death of his mistress, Miss Annie Jane Fanny Maclean, by administering to her extreme doses of alcoholic stimulants. No criminal trial for many years has created so much excitement in London, and, indeed, all over Great Britain. Miss Maclean, who was 33 years old at the time of her death, comes of a good family, her father being the late Lieut.-Col. Maclean, and her brother Dr. Norman Maclean, who last Summer removed with his family to New-York. That a lady so respectably connected should have become the paramour of a brutal adventurer and a married man, such as her lover Paine, was a fact in itself sufficiently scandalous to create a sensation in society circles, and to render any trial with which her name was connected extremely interesting. But the circumstances of the tragedy itself were of a sufficiently novel and important character to invest the trial with unusual interest, and the public indignation felt toward Paine would certainly not have been satisfied with a less verdict than that of manslaughter, while the opinion of the great majority of our citizens agrees with that of Mr. Justice Hawkins, as expressed during the delivery of the sentence, that the criminal richly deserved hanging for murder.

The trial which has just closed reveals one of the most barbarous crimes ever perpetrated in Great Britain, if not in the world. The prosecution for the Crown was conducted by the Attorney-General, Mr. Pollard, and H. L. Smith. Paine, who was indicted for murder, was represented by Mr. Sergeant Ballantine; and Fannie Matthews, Paine's second paramour, who was jointly indicted with her lover for the murder of Miss Maclean, by Mr. Brooks. Before the trial began, however, the prosecution found that they could not convict the woman Matthews, and on the opening day the Attorney-General asked for her acquittal, which was promptly given by the jury. She was then made a witness for the Crown, and her testimony went far toward securing the conviction of Paine. The story of the crime, as developed in the eight days' trial, stamps the murderer as one of the most degraded of criminals. Miss Maclean was not a beautiful woman; she was diminutive in stature, and was afflicted with a curvature of the spine, but notwithstanding her deformity she was, until she passed wholly under the influence of her betrayer, of a uniformly cheerful and happy disposition. Paine became acquainted with her some 10 years ago, and she seems to have become thoroughly infatuated with the scoundrel. Her mother forbade him the house, but it is on evidence that the lovers often met clandestinely, and that Annie was seduced by Paine years ago. She subsequently lived with her mother, however, at Craven Hill, London, and the old lady fondly imagined that her daughter had outgrown her foolish attachment for the adventurer. In March of last year Mrs. Maclean took a house called the Shrubbery, in Broadway, near Worcester, but on the 1st of April, before the house was ready for occupancy, the mother died. Annie then went to live with her aunt, Mrs. Wilson, in London, and here Paine began to visit her openly. By her mother's will Miss Maclean became possessed of a house in Eastbourne Terrace, London, and £450 cash, and to gain possession of this property was the motive assigned by the prosecution for the systematic course of alcoholic drugging which Paine pursued toward his unfortunate victim. Before her mother's death Annie had been somewhat addicted to strong drink, but she was never known to be drunk. In less than eight months from that time she died of alcoholism in a coffee-house in London.

For some two months after the death of her mother Annie continued to live with her aunt. Then she went away with Paine, and the two took lodgings as man and wife. Dr. Norman Maclean was told by his sister that she had been married since March, and when the Doctor left for America, Aug. 30, Paine and Annie took rooms in a lodging-house at Westbourne Park. From that day till the time of her death in the London coffee-house the woman seems to have scarcely drawn a sober breath, and Paine was constantly plying her with strong liquors. The story of this period of wretchedness was extracted from several witnesses, the principal ones being Mr. Smith, Fannie Matthews, and Mr. and Mrs. Powell. Mrs. Smith, who kept the house in Westbourne Park, said that Annie was very sick when she came to her house, and remained in her bedroom most of the time. Paine was generally out until late at night, and nearly always returned home drunk. He refused to call a doctor for the lady, and she wanted him to send out for a glass of brandy, which he gave to her without water, in the presence of the landlady. Sometimes Annie appeared to like the brandy, and at other times it seemed to nauseate her. Paine would then order her to drink it, saying that it would "do her good," and she seemed to have no power to disobey him. The couple remained at Westbourne Park until Sept. 11, when they left for the Shrubbery. Miss Maclean had to be assisted to the carriage, and staggered like a drunken woman. After her lodgers had gone away, they found 11 brandy bottles, 3 claret bottles, 2 ginger wine bottles, and several fat flasks in the room which they had occupied.

At the Shrubbery Fannie Matthews first appears on the scene. She was the gardener's daughter, and was engaged by Paine on the 13th of September to attend to Miss Maclean, whom he represented as his wife. He at once laid siege to the heart of the new servant, however, and Fannie reciprocated his passion. Miss Maclean remained in bed most of the time, and brandy was kept where she could get at all hours. Two days after Fannie's engagement, Paine took Annie to the office of Robert George Goldingham, a solicitor, of Worcester, and there each made a will in the other's favor. In less than a week from the date of the wills a deed of gift was drawn up and signed by Miss Maclean, transferring to Paine the house in Eastbourne-terrace. In the meantime, on the 17th of September, Paine had applied to Alfred Paul Watkins, an agent of the Gresham Life Insurance Company, to effect an insurance on Miss Maclean's life in his favor for £2250. He was anxious to know if the company paid policies immediately on proof of death, or delayed the payment for three months, and seemed annoyed when informed that the three-month rule was enforced. This project, however, fell through, as the medical officers of the company, after examining Miss Maclean, declined to issue a policy on her life. The woman herself at this time was undergoing the tortures of alcoholism in the Shrubbery. She was enfeebled both in body and mind, and appeared to be as entirely under the control of Paine as though she were a child; and he her father. Fannie Matthews says that Annie was afraid of the man whom she loved to her own destruction. His slightest wish was law to her, and he not only allowed her to have more spirits than was good for her, but he frequently poured brandy into a tumbler, and, holding back her head, fairly forced it down the throat of the poor girl. Her mouth was at times so badly blistered and her throat so raw from the continued application of undiluted spirits that she could hardly swallow. When she asked for food her inhuman master gave her brandy, saying it was the only food she had of any value. Speaking for itself, Miss Matthews said that she had seen him on one occasion pour a decanter glass three-quarters full of neat spirits down her throat. The poor girl protested, and said that it burned her throat, but the brute into whose power she had fallen only answered, "Do as I tell you! It will do you good."

On the 16th of October, Paine, for some reason not developed on the trial, went to London, and was gone a week. This was a short respite for the slowly-dying girl, and Fannie Matthews, who seems to have had some touch of pity in her, used it to build up the health of her mistress. She gave her the food which she waved, and diluted what brandy she was forced to drink with a plentiful quantity of water. The result was that when Paine returned he found his victim much improved, but instead of showing any gratitude to Fannie he pretended that Miss Maclean was suffering from a relapse, and at once began to dose her again with pure brandy and whisky, varied occasionally with a glass of gin. All this time he was lamenting in public and moaning of "Mrs. Paine for some drink, which, he said, was killing her, and the was the theory advanced by the defense in the trial—that Paine could not keep Miss Maclean from drinking. To offset this, the prosecution introduced the evidence of Mrs. Powell, a kindly old lady who lives near the Shrubbery. She said that on one of her visits Paine told her that Annie had drunk a bottle of brandy the night before, showing her the empty bottle, which he took from a cupboard for removal from the bed, from which the sick woman was unable to rise without help. The inference was plain that, if she had drank the brandy, Paine had given it to her. Annie also said to Mrs. Porter, when the subject was mentioned, "He forced me to drink it; he makes me drink it."

So matters continued at the Shrubbery until Monday, Nov. 3, when Paine thought it advisable to get his victim to London, where so much excitement would not be created by her death as in the little neighborhood of the Shrubbery, where the gossips were already beginning to harp on the scandal. He was advised, too, by Dr. Beadles, whom he finally called in, to get his "wife" to London among her friends, where she could have good medical attendance. The Doctor, too, told him that he must give Annie no "neat" spirits whatever. How well he followed this advice appears from the testimony of several witnesses, among them Fannie Matthews. On the day of departure, the woman was taken from her bed and carried to a wagonette, and driven to Evesham, six miles off. On the way the party stopped at a public house, and Paine bought a bottle of brandy, with which he plied the dying woman on the road. When taken from the wagonette at the railroad station, she was so thoroughly intoxicated that she could not stand, and again had to be carried by two men to the third class carriage in which Paine had previously taken seats for London. Upon reaching London, she was taken, not to her friends, but to an obscure coffee-house at 128 Seymour-place, where she died 12 days afterward. The story of Miss Maclean's sufferings and of the brutal treatment which she underwent at the hands of her fiendish lover during these last 12 days of her wretched life are told by Mrs. Jane Powell, the wife of the proprietor of the house, and several other witnesses. Paine, Miss Maclean, and Fannie Matthews were shown to the room which *the former had engaged by letter, and the first thing that the man did was to give his drunken* charge a tumbler half filled with raw whisky. She did not want to drink it, but he forced it down her throat, while Fanny Matthews stood and looked on. That night she begged him to remain with her in the house, but he refused, and went away on a drunken tour of the city, after heaping all manner of filthy abuse on the woman whose fortune he was spending. Shortly after his departure, Mrs. Powell entered the room. She found Miss Maclean, nearly naked, lying on the floor, and with the assistance of Fanny Matthews, managed to get her to bed. She never rose again. The next morning Paine returned, and brought more whisky with him. Holding up the bottle, he said, with a wicked laugh, "This is what she wants; just see her drink it," and, pouring out a glass, handed it to the trembling woman. She took it eagerly this time, and drained it to the bottom, while Paine, who was drunk himself, looked on with a sneer. Mrs. Powell insisted that a doctor should be called, and offered to go for her family physician, but Paine said he would get his own doctor, and the subject was dropped for the time. He went away, leaving two glasses of neat spirits on a table within reach of his victim, but these were removed by Mrs. Powell as soon as his back was turned. In the evening he returned, gave Miss Maclean another dose of brandy, and went away with Fanny Matthews "to buy her a present," he said. The two were followed by Mrs. Powell and a servant. They went to a house at No. 31 Nutford-place, where they remained all night, and from that time Fanny Matthews did not return to her mistress, but lived with Paine as his wife, until both were arrested. On the following day Paine appeared in the sick room with Dr. Thorman, who lives in the same house at No. 31 Nutford-place, and told Mrs. Powell that he would attend Miss Maclean. The Doctor examined the lady as she lay in bed, and Paine, pulling a bottle of rum from his pocket, filled a glass two-thirds full. Turning to the Doctor, he said, "I want to show you her weakness," and offering it to the dying woman, said, "Come, Annie, dear, I have a drop of good rum." She replied, "I don't want it, Lewis, I don't want it." He laughed gruffly, and said, "You artful little devil, you would take it if they were not here," and pressed it to her lips. Then she drank it, as if she was afraid to refuse. Dr. Thorman said that her liquor must be diluted, but in spite of this order, Paine forced her to drink neat spirits to the day of her death, which was Nov. 17. He provided no nurse for her, and but for the kindness of Mrs. Powell she would have been left to die alone in her room.

The medical testimony in the case was very long and exhaustive, and showed that death resulted from alcoholism. The immediate cause was the action of the heart ceasing from feebleness of the muscles, produced by drinking. The post-mortem fully established this fact. Miss Maclean had been poisoned by excessive doses of brandy, whisky, and gin. No witnesses were called for the defense, but Serjeant Ballantine delivered a long argument to show that the jury ought to throw out the evidence of Fanny Matthews altogether, because it was in direct contradiction of her testimony at the Coroner's inquest. Paine was a drunkard, himself, said the Sergeant, and naturally thought that if rum was good for him, it was good for Miss Maclean. The charge of Justice Hawkins was very long, and he carefully reviewed every part of the testimony. In concluding, he said: "There is an alternative question which you have to consider. Was it the prisoner's duty to take care of the deceased? Did he take charge of her in the same way that a man under similar circumstances takes charge of his wife? If so, was he not bound to supply her with the necessaries of life; and if she was in an enfeebled condition, so as to be unable to procure such things for herself, was not he bound to see that she obtained them? She being in such an enfeebled condition of mind and body that she would be likely to do acts which in a state of health she would not have done, was he not bound to protect her against acts which, in a state of health, she would have been able to protect herself against? If he did not so protect, but allowed her to commit acts which would produce death, with the intent that she should die, that would be murder; and if he simply allowed such acts unwisely and negligently, without intending her death, that would be manslaughter. It is for you to say, by your verdict, if you consider the prisoner guilty, to say of which of these offenses you consider the prisoner guilty—of the one crime or the other."

The jury, after an absence of one hour and forty minutes, returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter, and Justice Hawkins, after expressing his sense of the justice of the verdict, sentenced Paine to be kept in penal servitude for the term of his natural life.

DEATH OF DANIEL G. CROCHERON.

Daniel Garrison Crocheron, father of Joseph Crocheron, proprietor of the Brower House, at Twenty-eighth-street and Broadway, was found dead yesterday morning, in his room at the Brower House. He retired on Tuesday evening apparently in good health. He was an early riser, and at 7:45 o'clock yesterday morning, the book-keeper Mr. Steele, not seeing him around, sent a porter to awake him. Not receiving any response, the porter looked through the transom, and saw the old gentleman lying perfectly still. This alarmed the book-keeper, who then told the porter to enter through a window and find out what was the matter. On trying to rouse Mr. Crocheron, the porter found him cold and gave the alarm. When the fact of his death was established, Coroner Knox was sent for, and, after examining the remains, expressed the opinion that death was caused by the rupture of a blood vessel in the brain. Mr. Garrison Crocheron was descended from a Huguenot family, and was born at the beginning of this century, in Springville, Staten Island. When he reached manhood, he entered the grocery business at Graniteville, near Port Richmond, and continued in this line for fifty years. In his younger days Mr. Crocheron took a great interest in horse-racing, and ran the horses Sally Walker and Steerbell. For the past thirteen years he lived in retirement at Graniteville. At the time of his death he was on a visit to his son Joseph, who is an active sporting gentleman. Mr. Crocheron leaves two sons and two daughters. The funeral will take place at 12:30 to-morrow, from his home in Graniteville, Staten Island.

AN UNKNOWN MAN CUTS HIS THROAT.

Shortly before 9 o'clock yesterday morning a stranger, apparently a German, about 40 years of age, entered the shoe-maker's shop of Philip Fleischer, No. 362 West Thirty-sixth-street. He was somewhat excited, and sat down on a vacant bench behind Fleischer. He asked for a knife, but noticing one lying on the bench beside him, he picked it up and drew it across his throat, inflicting a terrible wound. Fleischer, horrified at the deed, rushed into the street and summoned a policeman. The stranger was taken to Roosevelt Hospital, where he died soon after admission. There was nothing about the man to indicate his name or where he lived. He was 5 feet 9 inches tall, of dark complexion, with dark hair and mustache, was dressed in dark clothes, and wore cotton. The remains were removed to the Morgue for identification.

THE PARK DEPARTMENT.

The Park Commissioners yesterday appointed Mr. William J. McAlpine engineer of bridges and all works of construction in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards. He will perform the duties which devolved on Mr. Burnett B. McLean, the late engineer of construction of the Madison-avenue bridge over the Harlem River. Mr. McAlpine was recently in Central America, where he laid out a canal. He had temporary charge of the work on Riverside Drive, and the plans for improving the Danube, ordered by the Austrian Government, were drafted by him. The Commissioners passed resolutions ordering the alteration of the music-stand in Madison-square into a ladies' cottage, and the painting of all cottages in the Parks, in the future, in accordance with the Legislative compilation of laws relating to the Park Department was received from the commission having charge of the work of compiling statutes affecting the City Government, and was referred to Mr. Lane for examination.

POLICEMEN CHARGED WITH FRAUD.

THE REMARKABLE ACCUSATION OF ANNIE J. ROGERS AGAINST OFFICER M'GINN.

A remarkable story was related yesterday before Commissioner Voorhis, at the Police trials, by Miss Anne J. Rogers, a young woman residing at One Hundred and Eighty-second-street and Broadway, Fort Washington, who appeared as complainant against Patrolman John G. McGinn, of the Twenty-second Precinct. The policeman is charged with having fraudulently obtained from the complainant $675, on the pretense that her deceased father owed him that sum of money, and she was further induced, she says, to give him the money on his promise to marry her. In her affidavit, Miss Rogers alleges that she became acquainted with McGinn in April, 1870, and that through the influence of her father, who was a well-known Democratic politician, he was appointed on the Police force. Her father died in 1871, and after that McGinn applied to her for money, claiming that her father had borrowed $650 from him, and that there was due $25 for interest. He exhibited two receipts purporting to have been given him by Mr. Rogers for money loaned in April, 1870, one for $500, and the other for $150. At this time he was paying his addresses to her, and had promised to marry her. Relying on his promise, and believing from the receipts shown her that her father really owed him the money, she drew from a savings bank $675, which constituted the earnings of several years' hard work at sewing, and gave the money to him, receiving in return the *receipts signed by her father. After obtaining the money from Miss Rogers, it is alleged that McGinn* gradually ceased his visits to her, and finally refused to perform his promise to marry her. The money was obtained from her, she alleges, in September, 1872. She has since discovered that she had been swindled by the policeman, as her father did not owe him the money he claimed. Miss Rogers produced in court one of the receipts or due-bills signed by her father, and it bore on its face the evidence that the sum specified therein had been changed from $100 to $500. The alteration was made in different colored ink from the body of the bill. A civil suit has been commenced for the recovery of the money, and is still pending.

When the case was called for trial yesterday, Col. Fellows, who appeared as counsel for the defendant, objected to the case going on until a decision had been reached in the civil suit now pending. He contended that the Board of Police had no jurisdiction in the matter in its present state, and said the decision of the General Term was to the effect that the board could not try a case which is pending in a State court, until a decision is rendered, if this point was decided against him, he would not appear in the case, but would advise his client to rest his case on this legal point, and to have the action of the board reviewed by certiorari.

Col. Spencer, on behalf of the complainant, said the decision in the Sieberst case applied only to criminal proceedings in cases where offenses against the criminal statutes were charged. In this case, although palpable forgery had been committed, criminal proceedings could not be taken, as more than five years had elapsed since the forgery and fraud were committed. In the present case, and in the Rev. T. R. Sliker formally extended the right hand of Congregational fellowship to the new church. There are now 15 churches of the Congregational denomination in the City of Churches.

Commissioner Voorhis adjourned the case for one week, and meanwhile the legal questions involved will be presented to the Corporation Counsel for his opinion. McGinn denies the allegations of fraud and deceit, and denies that he ever promised to marry the complainant. He claims that the money he received from Miss Rogers was given him from her father, and that she gave him the money voluntarily.

Another case involving similar points to those decided in the Sieberst matter was brought before Commissioner Voorhis. Patrolman John J. Doyle, of the First Precinct, was charged by Thomas Duffy, of No. 240 East Fifty-first-street, with having received $40 from one Peter Hill, and that he subsequently paid him $6 in cash and gave him a promissory note for the balance. He failed to pay the note, and was sued in a District Court and confessed judgment. The judgment was not paid, and Doyle, is charged with Commissioners. It is understood that these Commissioners are appointed to lay out a route for the "West Side and Yonkers Railroad," of which company Robert M. Galway is President, and the capital stock is all subscribed and ready to commence operations as soon as a route is determined upon. The line ultimately connects with the Central Ward, who had singled out himself [Mr. Pomeroy] and Mr. Ward against whom to make issue fabricated allegations, they were as completely fabricated, added Mr. Pomeroy, "that the persons making them did not take the trouble to examine records that would disprove them. This talk about absent witnesses is all balderdash. Here," [holding up a package of vouchers] "are the chief witnesses in the Comptroller's office. These bills were signed by the Superintendent of Buildings, by the Committee on Buildings, by other Trustees, and by the Clerk and Auditor of the board, and they have been paid by the Controller." Commissioner Mehrhan, a member of the committee, favored an adjournment, and, after some discussion, the hearing of the case was postponed until 4 P. M. to-morrow.

A NEW CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

THE LEWIS-AVENUE CHURCH ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP.

In response to an invitation from the members of the Grace Congregational Chapel, Lewis-avenue and Monroe-street, Brooklyn, about 20 Pastors and delegates from the various Brooklyn Congregational churches met in Grace Chapel yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of considering a proposition to receive the Grace Chapel worshipers into full fellowship with the other churches. The Council was composed of the Rev. S. B. Halliday and the Rev. Dr. Edward Beecher, of Plymouth Church; the Rev. Dr. James Wild and J. H. Foran, of the Elm-Place Church; the Rev. Dr. Roberts and John Frazier, of the Church of the Mediator; the Rev. T. R. Sliker and George M. Merrihis, of the Park Church; the Rev. George C. Miln and S. A. Harrison, of the East Church; the Rev. William McKay, of the Church of the Covenant; the Rev. Dr. Hugh Smith Carpenter and Peter Thomas, of the Bedford-Street Church; Deacon Humbert, of the Church of the Puritans; Charles Hopkins, of the Tompkins-Avenue Church; R. L. Parsons, of the Central Church; the Rev. Rufus F. Hibbard and Charles Emmons, of the New-England Church. The Rev. Dr. Carpenter was chosen Moderator, and the Rev. George C. Miln Scribe. Dr. Carpenter *and the Scribe read the call for the Council.* Mr. John S. Lyles, one of the members of Grace congregation, read a statement of the condition of the body, and announced that if received into fellowship with the Congregational Union it was proposed to call themselves "the Lewis-Avenue Congregational Church." The new church is an outgrowth of the now extinct Grace Presbyterian Church. It was organized Dec. 22, 1877, and made no attempt to be recognized as a Congregational church until now. The membership on the record is 77, of which about 30 are active, and they represent about 28 families. The society owns no property, and rents their present house of worship by the month, with a written contract enabling them to buy the property for $5,000 whenever they wish. The Rev. James L. Hall was their first Pastor, but dissensions arose, and he left some time ago. The church has formally accepted the terms of the Union, all seats being free. The members think they are able to pay all their current expenses, and are now negotiating with a Rev. Mr. Easton, of Pennsylvania, to come and preach to them for $2,000 a year. Numerous questions concerning every point in the church's history, polity, and financial standing were asked by members of the Council and answered by Mr. Lyles. The Rev. Dr. Wild then moved that the Lewis-Avenue Congregational Church be received into the fellowship of the Council, a number of questions favorably to the motion were made, and it was carried without a dissenting voice. A committee was then appointed to arrange for a public meeting of the society. The recognition met again in the chapel in the evening. The Rev. Dr. Edward Beecher presided as moderator, and the Rev. T. R. Sliker formally extended the right hand of Congregational fellowship to the new church. There are now 15 churches of the Congregational denomination in the City of Churches.

YONKERS WANTS RAPID TRANSIT.

At a meeting held in J. W. Alexander's office, Washburn Building, in the City of Yonkers, last Saturday, a petition was signed by 50 house-holders and tax-payers of the city asking the Mayor to appoint five Commissioners to look into and determine as to the necessity and desirability of a rapid transit railroad from a point within the City of Yonkers to its extreme southern boundary. The petition was verified before C. E. Pratt, a Justice of the Supreme Court. Mayor Masten has just complied with the prayer of the petitioners, and has appointed James Stewart, Edward Dwight, William P. Cochran, P. U. Cowles, and Samuel P. Holmes, all of Yonkers, as such Commissioners. It is understood that these Commissioners are appointed to lay out a route for the "West Side and Yonkers Railroad," of which company Robert M. Galway is President, and the capital stock is all subscribed and ready to commence operations as soon as a route is determined upon. The line ultimately connects with the City of Yonkers.

IS ABRAHAM GOSLING INSANE?

SOME OF THE DELUSIONS OF WHICH HE IS THE VICTIM.

The inquiry into the mental condition of Abraham Gosling, whose wife seeks to obtain his release from confinement on the ground that he is not insane, and that his relatives are merely endeavoring to keep him from companionship with her, was begun before Judge Lawrence, in the Supreme Court, Circuit, yesterday. Before the jury was called, Judge Lawrence denied a motion made by Mr. Ira Shafer to dismiss the proceeding on the ground that the inquiry was an unwarranted review of Judge Donohue's action in approving the commitment upon which Gosling was held in the Tombs. Judge Lawrence said that he had power to go on with the inquiry. To prevent the proceeding from being prejudiced, however, Judge Donohue had suspended his order pending the inquiry. The case was opened for the affirmative by Mr. Ira Shafer, counsel for the relatives of the alleged insane person. He said the jury would see by the testimony that Abraham Gosling was insane by showing that he had been extravagant, had made trips to Europe in pursuit of fanciful financial plans, had acted erratically in public assemblages, was possessed with the idea that he was the greatest tenor singer in the world, and practiced his voice at the most unseasonable times, and was in the habit of boasting that he was the owner of many millions of dollars. Besides being the victim of these delusions, his personal habits were abusive of his family, and he was fast on the side of his wife during Mr. Shafer's address, and appeared to enjoy it very much. At the conclusion of the speech he went over to his counsel and began to chat with him.

Dr. Alexander E. McDonald, the first witness, is Professor of Medical Jurisprudence in the University of New-York. He testified that he had examined Abraham Gosling in the Tombs, and found him to be affected by general *paresis*, a form of insanity which is more likely than any other to prove fatal to its victim. The pupils of Gosling's eyes were excessively dilated, and his speech was thick and indistinct, and his limbs were tremulous. He thought he could walk for a week without rest and without being greatly fatigued. In order to do this, he said that he would bandage his limbs and chest, and thus retain for one day during the week the first long breath he would draw on beginning his walk. On cross-examination by Mrs. Gosling's counsel, Dr. McDonald said Gosling boasted that when he went upon the operatic stage Campanini's occupation would be gone at once.

Dr. J. W. Hardy, the physician of the prisoners in the Tombs, corroborated Dr. McDonald's statements as to Abraham Gosling's mental and physical condition. Dr. John P. Garrish, who has visited the Gosling family for 32 years, said he decided in 1878 that Abraham Gosling was insane, and recommended that he should be confined for a year. He was confined in an asylum near Philadelphia, but he was no better when released. He labored under the belief that he was going to marry a daughter of a very wealthy banker; that he had $1,000,000, and that his heir claim for $15,000,000 against the British Government. One of his brothers is in an insane asylum, one died in an asylum, and a third, who was insane, is now cured. The inquiry was adjourned until this morning.

REPAIRS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST A TRUSTEE AND INSPECTOR.

The Committee on By-laws of the Board of Education held a special meeting, yesterday, to investigate charges made by citizens of the Nineteenth Ward against Eugene H. Pomeroy, Chairman of the Board of School Trustees, and Inspector De Witt C. Ward. Their assessors are Bernard Galligan, of No. 220 East Fifty-first-street; Thomas Duffy, of No. 225 East Fifty-first-street; George Phillips, of No. 1,190 Second-avenue, and James King, of No. 301 East Seventy-fourth-street, who made the following assertions:

First, that they are residents and tax-payers of the Nineteenth Ward of the City of New-York, and as such are interested in the welfare thereof; second, that during the month of August, 1879, certain work and repairs were done in and upon the building known as Grammar School No. 70, situated in East Seventy-fifth-street, in the Nineteenth Ward; that the sum of $600, or thereabouts, was charged for the work and repairs; third, that all the work and repairs done on the building during the period mentioned could have been done for $300, and that anything paid in excess of such sum was exorbitant and unjust; fourth, that the work was not advertised, nor was there any bids requested, or given therefor as required by law; fifth, that one Mr. Blevin, a friend of Eugene H. Pomeroy, one of the Trustees and Chairman of the Board of the grammar school, performed the work, and when the same was completed presented a bill for the same to the Trustees of the school; sixth, that the bills were certified to by Pomeroy as Chairman of the board, and Mr. Ward, one of the Inspectors of the Seventh School District, and that P. F. McGinn, the other Inspector, refused to certify to the correctness of the bills, and declared the same unjust; seventh, that the bills were false and fraudulent, and the action of the Trustees and Inspector who certified to them was in direct violation of their duties as officers of the School Board of the Nineteenth Ward.

The petitioners further stated that they had evidence to substantiate the charges, and asked that the board institute an investigation. Their counsel yesterday moved for an adjournment of the investigation on the ground of the absence of witnesses. Mr. Pomeroy, speaking in his own behalf, demanded an immediate investigation of the charges, which he characterized as false in every particular. He had been credibly informed, he said, that the charges were instigated by a distinguished leader of the Nineteenth Ward, who had singled out himself [Mr. Pomeroy] and Mr. Ward against whom to make issue fabricated allegations. They were as completely fabricated, added Mr. Pomeroy, "that the persons making them did not take the trouble to examine records that would disprove them. This talk about absent witnesses is all balderdash. Here," [holding up a package of vouchers] "are the chief witnesses in the Comptroller's office. These bills were signed by the Superintendent of Buildings, by the Committee on Buildings, by other Trustees, and by the Clerk and Auditor of the board, and they have been paid by the Controller." Commissioner Mehrhan, a member of the committee, favored an adjournment, and, after some discussion, the hearing of the case was postponed until 4 P. M. to-morrow.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

New-York, Wednesday, March 10, 1880.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follows:

Ashes, pkgs	8	Molasses, hhds	1,164
Beef, tcs., bbls	16	Spirits Turp., bbls	40
Beans, bbls	212	Rosin, bbls	361
Beeswax, pkgs	3	Tar, bbls	812
Cotton, bales	5,291	Pitch, bbls	110
Cotton-seed, bbls	110	Oil, bbls	153
Eggs, pkgs	3,528	Oil-cake, pkgs	1,952
Flour, bbls	12,876	Peanuts, bags	509
Grain, bushels	90	Pork, bbls	240
Corn-meal, bbls	154	Beef, pkgs	62
Wheat, bushels	54,900	Cut-meats, pkgs	12,248
Corn, bushels	93,830	Lard, tcs	4,833
Oats, bushels	25,900	Lard, kegs	385
Rye, bushels	568	Butter, pkgs	2,428
Malt, bushels	800	Cheese, pkgs	1,422
Peas, bushels	1,350	Dressed Hogs, No.	690
Oil-meal, bbls	325	Tobacco, hhds	540
Grass, pkgs	153	Sugar, hhds	10
Grass-seed, bags	340	Sling, bales	118
Hemp, bales	10	Starch, pkgs	809
Hides, No	459	Stearine, pkgs	50
Hides, bales	602	Tallow, pkgs	1,199
Hops, bales	28	Tobacco, hhds	276
Leather, sides	130	Tobacco, pkgs	811
Lead, pigs	795	Whiskey, bbls	931
Leather, sides	25,069	Wool, bales	56
Moss, bales	241		

COFFEE—Rio has been less sought after, and quoted throughout week to prices; sales of 3,957 bags Santos, per Lucy, and 500 bags Rio, per Camperdown, at Baltimore, on private terms....Stock of Rio and Santos in first hands here this morning, 124,062 bags; at the outports, 95,028 bags, and afloat and looking for the United States, 17,824 bags....Other kinds have been also rather quiet and rather dull in, but quoted about as before....The recent movements (mostly previously reported) have been sales of 1,000 bags Java, at 24c., and 224 bags East India, at 22c. gravys, 430 bags Savanilla, 383 bags Porto Rico, sold in lots for consumption within the quoted range. Also, 3,657 bags San Domingo, in transit for Europe. Stock of other than Rio and Santos in first hands here this morning, 57,618 bags and 92,938 mats....We quote Rio, ordinary invoices, at 14c.; fair at 15c.@15½c.; good at 15½c.@15¾c.; prime at 16c.@16½c.; Rio in job lots, at 10½c.@16c.; Santos, fair to good invoices, 15½c.@15¾c.; do., job lots, at 15c.@16c.; Java in bulk, 24c.@26c.; Singapore, 14c.@16c.; Ceylon, 16c.@17c.; Maracaibo, 13½c.@17½c.; Laguayra, 14c.@15½c.; Mexican, 14c.@16c.; Jamaica, 15c.@16c.; Savanilla, 15½c.@16c.; Costa Rica, 15c.@16c.; San Domingo, 13c.@15½c.; Porto Rico, 15c.@17c.; Augustena, 15c.@17½c.

COTTON—A fair business has been reported in the option line, at, however, a reduction of 10@18 points, closing in favor of buyers....Early deliveries quiet, but quoted as before....Sales have been reported for prompt delivery of 312 bales, including 312 bales to spinners. ....Low Middling quoted at 12⅞c. @13c. Strict Low Middling at 13 1-16c.@13 3-16c. Middling at 13⅝c.@13¾c. Fair at 15c.@15½c....And for forward delivery, sales have been reported to-day of 108,900 bales, basis of Middling....The receipts to-day have been 6,711 bales, and the stock now stands at 224,000 bales, of which 991 bales same time the preceding week, and since Sept. 1, 1879, have been 4,326,106 bales, against 3,950,193 bales in the corresponding period last year. Consolidated exports (four days) for Great Britain from all the shipping ports, 17,375 bales to the Continent, 38,255 bales to France, 7,123 bales; consolidated stock at the ports, 815,232 bales....Stock in New-York to-day, 284,939 bales.

Option Sales To-day.

Month.	Sales.	Prices.
March	900	13.15@13.25
April	29,700	13.25@13.37
May	43,300	13.41@13.54
June	24,200	13.63@13.76
July	5,400	13.74@13.86
August	3,000	13.89@13.99
September	600	13.40@13.52
October	200	12.51@12.57
November	900	12.20@12.32
December	100	12.14@

Transferable orders issued at 12.30.

Closing Prices on Options.

Month.	Yesterday.	To-day.
March	13.31@	13.15@13.16
April	13.41@13.42	13.26@
May	13.52@13.53	13.41@13.42
June	13.80@13.81	13.63@13.64
July	13.92@13.93	13.74@13.75
August	13.99@14.01	13.81@13.82
September	13.52@13.59	13.60@13.61
October	12.65@12.68	12.49@12.50
November	12.26@12.28	12.11@12.12
December	12.21@12.23	12.07@12.09

Yesterday's Averages on Options.

March	13.24	August	13.93
April	13.35	September	13.59
May	13.48	October	12.60
June	13.70	November	12.26
July	13.88		

FLOUR AND MEAL—A very moderate trade has been reported again to-day in the market for Western, which has further declined in price, closing weak and irregular. Winter Wheat product suffered most, receding generally 10c.@15c., and in extreme instances as much as 20c.@25c. in the range of prices. Sales have been reported since our last of 12,850 bbls. of all grades....Included in the reported sales were 2,800 bbls. low Extras, for shipment within the range of $4 75@$5 25, and 1,000 bbls. City Mills Extra, at $5 40; (2,000 bbls. Standard Eastern on private terms, quoted at about $5 40); 1,450 bbls. City Mills Extra, in Shipping Order, at $5 40@$5 50; 2,000 bbls. Ohio at $5 15@$5 65 for fair to very choice, and South American brands quoted at $6 40@$7, the latter for fancy, and inferior to very choice English brands at $5 25@$5 60; 11,000 bbls. Winter Wheat Extras, of product reported sales for Europe, at $5; 1,750 bbls. Minnesota and Wisconsin clear, in lots, at $5 40@$6 75 for inferior to fancy, mainly at $5 75@$6 50; 1,200 bbls. double extra Winter Wheat at $6 12½@$6 50 for ordinary to very choice, mainly at $6 25@$7 25; 700 bbls. Patent Extras at from $5 75@$6 75, the latter for very fancy, mainly at $7 25@$8 25; 2,650 bbls. Winter Wheat Patents at $5 75@$7 50, mostly at $6 25@$6 50; 500 bbls. Patent Extras, Winter (these at $5 75@$5 75, the latter for fancy, mainly at $7 25@$8 25); 700 bbls. Superfine, these at $4 50@$5 for very poor to choice; 1,000 bbls. City at $4 75@$5 25 (fancy held at higher figures); and $4 65@$5 25 for ordinary to very choice Winter Wheat (the latter an extreme); equal to 1,050 bbls. No. 2 these at $3 25@$4 15 for very poor to choice Spring, and $3 65@$4 50 for poor to fancy Winter; unsound and Sour Flour at from $2@$5 50, mostly Extras at $4 25@$5....Southern flour quiet and fairly held in the range of $4 75@$6 for Extras, at from $5 85@$7 50, mainly at from $6 50@$7 25....Rye Flour sold to the extent of 228 bbls., in lots, chiefly at $4 75@$5 15 for fair to fancy Superfine State; market weak....Buckwheat Flour ordinary to very fancy Yellow Western quoted at $2 50@$3 10, (few brands passing $2 75@$2 85); Brandywine at $3 30....Corn-meal in bags in more request, in a job line at from $2 75@$2 87½, as to quality; City meal at $1 12½@$1 15, from mills, (the latter an extreme); very poor Western quoted, in odd lots, as low as $1, from store.

WHEAT—Though not up to the extraordinary large aggregate of business reported yesterday, the dealings in Winter

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UNION-SQUARE THEATRE—The False Friend.
BOOTH'S THEATRE—Humpty Dumpty.
MADISON-SQUARE THEATRE—Hazel Kirke.
WALLACK'S THEATRE—The Liar.
NIBLO'S GARDEN—H. M. S. Pinafore.
DALY'S THEATRE—The Royal Middy.
HAVERLY'S THEATRE—The Brook.
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SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS—Variety.
STANDARD THEATRE—Robinson Crusoe.
PARK THEATRE—A Fool and His Money.
NEW-YORK AQUARIUM—Parisian Circus. Matinée.
ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Lecture.
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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in this region, cloudy and threatening weather, with rain or snow, north-east to south-east winds, higher temperature, and falling barometer.

The talk in the House yesterday on the Political Assessment bill retained the character of a political discussion which was given to it the previous day. The time was given up to Republican opponents of the measure, the tone of whose speeches was not uniformly high. Mr. Young, of Ohio, opposed the bill on the "good old Jacksonian doctrine that 'to the victors belong the spoils.'" This doctrine is unquestionably "old," but it is not good; it is also Jacksonian, and is, therefore, not Republican. Mr. Young defended the President for having appointed members of the Louisiana Returning Board to the Federal service, and only regretted that Mr. Hayes had not "acted in the same spirit with his friends in the North." But the Southern appointments, however well-intended, were most injudicious, and could not have been made by a President with any acute sense of political propriety, and as for the North, there have been only too many appointments of the same general sort in this section. Mr. Richardson, of New-York, and Mr. Hayes, of Illinois, opposed the bill on the ground that it infringed the liberties of citizens. The former declared it to be most despotic, subversive of popular rights, and destructive of popular liberty; the latter described it as a high-handed outrage. These denunciations would come with a better grace from the office-holders whose liberty to contribute to election expenses is to be trampled upon, than from Congressmen who, as a class, profit by these contributions.

Several members took different and higher ground. Mr. Crowley, of this State, attacked the bill on the ground that it was unconstitutional, which, in many of its provisions, it undoubtedly is. Mr. Rice, of Massachusetts, proposed to include members of Congress in the class prohibited from contributing to political funds, and punishing them with ineligibility to any office under the United States for two years. This amendment, could it be carried, would be worth all the rest of the bill. But, of course, it cannot be, nor would the Republicans who may sustain it vote for it as a separate law, were it likely to pass. Mr. Butterworth, of Ohio, proposed a substitute for the measure, which is an excellent measure in intent, but is as hopeless as it is well intended. It simply prohibits political assessments by persons in the service having employes under them, or by the permission of such persons; it also forbids corrupt use of money to influence votes, and all threats or menaces offered within thirty days of an election for Representatives. This bill would have no effect because there would be nowhere any adequate motive for its enforcement. It is one of that infinitely large class of measures for the establishment of virtue by statute which in practice are not worth the money it costs to print them. The previous question was moved at the close of the session yesterday, and a vote may be reached to-day.

Another chapter in the administration of Mr. John F. Smith was brought out in the Senate yesterday, and one to which his champions cannot refer with any degree of satisfaction. The correspondence between the officers of the Insurance Department and the Mutual Life Insurance Company, with reference to the mortgage on the property of Weed, Parsons & Co., shows very plainly the animus of Mr. Smith. It was an attempt to use his official influence to embarrass, without reason or justice, certain gentlemen who were interested in the Albany *Evening Journal*, whose editor was at that time using the columns of the paper in Smith's service, against the wishes of these gentlemen. Smith's action was as contemptible as it was unworthy of his position. If it had been taken by a man in private life, against a personal or business rival, it would have exposed him to prosecution for malicious conspiracy, and though the office which he disgraces may shield him from any legal consequences of his offense, it only makes that offense, in the eyes of all decent citizens, more detestable.

The discussion of the case of Mr. Fitz John Porter in the Senate continues to show the absurdity of reviewing the proceedings of a court-martial in a political body. The advocates of Porter's cause are not content with arguing in regard to the evidence brought out on his trial, but find it necessary to assail the motives and character of all the witnesses who testified against him. The result is that at least two General officers in actual service, and one of them, Brig.-Gen. McDowell, liable at any moment to be called to the discharge of peculiarly delicate duties, have been exposed to the most bitter attacks. Gen. McDowell was very properly defended, and with some warmth, by Senator Conkling. Such incidents as these are mischievous. They tend to injure the *morale* of the Army, and to undermine discipline. And when we reflect for what purpose this debate has been provoked—simply to give Mr. Porter, not a chance to vindicate his honor, but to take $60,000 out of the Treasury for services never rendered—it must be admitted that his friends have assumed a grave responsibility.

The proclamation of Mayor Kalloch, of San Francisco, is a defiant reply to the manifesto which has just been published by the new Committee of Vigilance. The last-named organization, deprecating existing troubles, and apprehensive of violence, promises that its members will support the lawful authorities in all attempts to put down disturbers of the public peace. The Mayor, who was elected by the men of the Sand Lots, vehemently declares that no violence is to be feared from those who are usually classed as Kearneyites, and that the vague insinuations, and open charges contained in the address of the Citizens' Protective Union are false and slanderous. Thus the issue between the chief municipal officer of San Francisco and the substantial and peaceful citizens is clearly drawn. Kalloch's sympathies are avowedly with the creatures who counsel the hanging of prominent business men and the institution of a reign of lynch law. This complicates the difficulties of the situation. It increases the risk of a violent collision.

THE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BILL.

As was anticipated, the opposition to the legislation affecting railroads which was proposed by the Hepburn committee as the result of their laborious investigation, is concentrated against the bill to regulate the transportation of freight. The extremely moderate character of the measure proposed, the conservative spirit in which the subject was discussed in the committee's report, and the solicitude shown to avoid any injurious restriction upon the freedom of management and the exercise of discretion by the companies, and to do nothing that should place the transportation interests of the State at a disadvantage in competition with those which are beyond its jurisdiction, have not prevented a vigorous and concerted attack from the railroads and from those who have profited by their favors. It is evident that they object to the most judicious and carefully-devised regulations. The ground of their opposition is not that the bill goes too far, but that it proposes to accomplish anything at all. They claim that their business should be let alone by the State, and left to the unrestricted control of the managers, to direct it according to any principle, or lack of principle, that they may consider conducive to their own profit. This plea would be valid, if the laws of competition that ordinarily regulate business relations were operative in the domain of railroad transportation, but by the acknowledgment of these very managers, they are not so. Such transportation is subject very largely to the arbitrary will, often even to the caprices and the resentments, of railway officers. On the one side are these corporations, directed by a few controlling spirits and holding relations with all other commercial interests, from which the latter cannot make themselves independent. They have a vast regulating power over commerce which they claim the right to exercise without any fixed responsibility, and without recognizing any right of control or regulation over them. On the other side are the general business interests of the State, without association or possible concert of action, except such as is compelled by the laws of trade, and without any supervisory or directing authority that can give effect to their rights or just claims in their relations with the railroads. The simple question is, whether the sovereign power of the State shall assert itself over both the parties and secure the rights of both so far as its jurisdiction extends?

The plea that the business of freight transportation should be left to the regulation of the ordinary laws of trade is rendered nugatory by the demonstrated fact that it not only is not in subjection to those laws, but that in no small measure it prevents their normal operation upon other branches of business. The existence of discriminations in rates against the people of this State and in favor of Western and foreign producers, against localities in the State and in favor of others, against individual shippers and in favor of others, and the evil consequences of these discriminations, were shown by the testimony before the committee last Fall with redundant amplitude. It was acknowledged that the public interest was not made a practical consideration, and that no principle connected with the cost of transportation or a legitimate profit on the capital employed was followed. The only general canon recognized was that of laying all the tribute upon business that it would bear without reducing its present or prospective power of paying. To get the largest possible tax out of the community for the service of transporting merchandise, regardless of its source or destination, was the one general object aimed at. All special rates and favors, all rebates and drawbacks, all time contracts, in short discriminations of every kind, were intended to be subsidiary to this main purpose. If more money could be made by taking freight from Chicago to New-York at lower rates than were charged for the same kind and amount from cities in this State, hundreds of miles nearer, the thing was done, and our own producers must suffer the consequences of this merciless competition. So, if a large and richly-paying volume of business could be derived from one locality within the State by giving it special advantages of cheap transportation, it had them, and rival localities in the same line of production suffered a corresponding depression. Again, single persons or associations and corporations were favored, in order that they might build up a large shipping business for the mutual profit of themselves and the railroads, though all their smaller competitors were thereby crushed to death. The injustice to persons and places and the injury to the general commercial interests of the State that resulted from this greedy and iniquitous policy, have been amply shown. And yet the plea is put forward that the railroads should be left to conduct their business in their own way, subject only to the laws of trade, which they so successfully defy, while the people cry in vain for redress.

It is manifestly for the interest of the State that no restrictions should be put upon the railroad companies that would in any way cripple them or divert their business to lines over which the State has no authority. Accordingly, no attempt is made to limit their general tariffs or to fix any ratio between their charges for long and short distances, or for transportation from different localities, whether competing or not. They are simply required to afford equal terms and facilities to all customers for the same service. They are prohibited from charging more for short than for longer distances for precisely the same accommodation. They are forbidden to make secret rates; or give rebates and drawbacks or unreasonable allowances and undue advantages to any person or association; or to charge more from one point than a fair proportion of what is charged from another point, or more from one station to another on the same line, or from one station to terminus, than is charged from terminus to terminus for a similar service. The car-load is made a unit for purposes of transportation, and they are prohibited from charging more for one car-load than is charged for each of a greater number. This is the sum and substance of the proposed act. It is a mistake to include, as is done in the first section, passenger traffic under the regulation of freight transportation in such a way as to prevent commutation fares and a difference of classes. Otherwise it is hard to see how the act can work to the disadvantage of the railroads of this State while protecting the manifest rights and interests of its people. The plea that it may do so, and the fact that the committee did not consider it safe to go any further in its proposed restrictions, only show how important it is that there should be corresponding inter-State regulations that would put all rival and competing lines on the same footing, so far as those of one State are able to affect the interests of those of another. It adds new emphasis to the demand for national regulation, and we shall be fortunate if this is conceived in as liberal and judicious a spirit as that proposed for this State.

THE GENERAL ELECTION IN ENGLAND.

No more striking contrast could well be imagined than that between the circumstances under which Mr. Gladstone made his appeal to the British electorate, six years ago, and those under which the Beaconsfield appeal is made now. In 1874, Mr. Gladstone selected four questions to mark the somewhat impalpable dividing line between Liberals and Conservatives. These related exclusively to matters of tax-paying and administrative economy, and so purely commercial were the issues of the hour that Mr. Lowe's chief ground of objection to Mr. Disraeli's elevation to power was that he had "a sort of harum-scarum, slovenly, careless, inconsiderate way of dealing with things, which, with respect to the ruler and the ruled, make him unfit to govern a business-like nation like ours." Brilliant as had been the record of domestic reform and financial achievement, due directly or indirectly to Liberal influence during the nine years which elapsed between the death of Lord Palmerston and the general election of 1874, the nation had grown a little tired of the humdrum monotony of its parochial politics. The Liberal leaders had failed to take account of the emotional elements which entered into the political creed of the British shopkeeper, and which had a still more powerful hold on that indefinite mass of opinion which household suffrage had admitted to a share of the Government. It ran counter to all the popular notions of British power to have the nation stand idly by while the map of Europe was being reconstructed, and it was a bitter reminder of how little account England had become in the councils of Europe to find Russia calmly modifying treaties to suit herself, in the full confidence that the conquerors of the Crimea were in no position to take umbrage at anything short of open aggression.

When Mr. Disraeli, therefore, accepted the responsibilities of power in February, 1874, with the declared purpose of giving the people an interval of rest from the strife of domestic politics, he found the nation in a proper mood to applaud some vigorous assertion of British influence in foreign politics. The "jingoism" of the last year or two was latent in 1874, and the strength of that national sentiment of which it is merely the vulgar expression may be inferred from the vitality it has exhibited under disappointing semi-evements and humiliating reverses. For the Disraeli method of making England feared and respected abroad has been as unlike the method of Pitt or of Palmerston as could possibly be conceived. The man who thought to add new lustre to the British Crown by the title of Empress of India, and new security to the British Empire by the leasing of Cyprus; who regarded the transfer of a few regiments of Sepoys to Malta as a new demonstration of the fighting power of England; and the extirpation of a noble race of savages in South Africa and the support of the foulest despotism in Europe as meritorious strokes of policy—such a man may take high rank among the political charlatans of history; he can hardly be admitted within the circle of statesmen. Yet his policy of petty grabbing and meritricious glitter, of truculence to weak powers and cringeing to great ones, has furnished occasion for burning enough gunpowder and earning enough glory to revive the traditions of a more heroic time and give to the British patriot a feeling that his country is, once more, arbiter of the destinies of the world.

And now the British people stand at the dividing of the ways, in circumstances more critical than any they have faced during the last fifty years. The policy of swagger and bluster must lead to something more serious than a war in South Africa or in Afghanistan ere long, and even these petty campaigns have taxed to the utmost the military strength of the Empire. With an armed truce on the Continent of Europe less tolerable than actual war, with the peace of nations dependent on such accidents as the freak of a semi-lunatic in Constantinople or the steady aim of a Nihilist assassin in St. Petersburg, it touches the very existence of the British Empire that the electorate of the United Kingdom should leave no disturbing doubts as to the line which must be taken by English statesmen. If England is ready to spend blood and treasure in the next great struggle for supremacy in Europe or conquest in Asia, simply because, as a great power, she must be consulted in the quarrels of other great powers, the decision cannot be too definitely expressed at the polls. Whether such a decision tend to the preservation of peace or to the hastening of war, it will certainly have the effect of making the next armed struggle in Europe the most terrible that the world has seen. It will also impose upon the British nation the necessity of sacrifices at present undreamed of, and probably, too, the penalty of colonial dismemberment which the advocates of the policy of intervention charge their adversaries with promoting.

THE ARMY IN SAN FRANCISCO.

The events occurring on the Pacific coast repeat a familiar moral regarding military and militia legislation at Washington. Kearney and his Sand Lots worthies declare, on pain of delivering California to bloody anarchy, that the lepers must go. A few capitalists, taking timely warning and the Eastern express, have escaped from Kearney's wrath to come, while sundry timid Chinamen have concluded to "hoppee 'long too"; and, putting the breadth of a continent between themselves and the Hoodlum King, these refugees are already plying their vocations afresh in the peaceful purlieus of Mott-street and Wall-street. The bulk of the money-sharks and pig-tailed laundrymen still remain in San Francisco, where, alarmed at threatening letters, seditious circulars, and inflammatory harangues, they have made an appeal to Gen. McDowell, which has resulted in the ordering thither of all spare troops in the Military Division of the Pacific, while already the boot-heels, sometimes figuratively called "iron heels," of Company I, First Cavalry, and Company G, Eighth Infantry, summoned from Camp Halleck, Nevada, are clattering about the Presidio.

California has three regiments of Militia in San Francisco alone. This force is sufficient in numbers to put down any riot now apprehended. Nevertheless, we see that before these troops are called out at all, resort is had to the Army and the Navy for protection. We further observe that the first move of the authorities has been, not against the Sand Lots, but against the armories. We find that the arms of one entire regiment have been taken away and deposited at the Central Police Station; that in like manner the arms of the three cavalry companies have been carried off by the authorities. Various conciliatory excuses for this act, and for other acts putting the Militia under surveillance, have been given, but the real reason unquestionably is a fear either that the disarmed troops would side with rioters, or else that somehow rioters would get possession of their arms and equipments.

The local Militia are thus in part distrusted by the authorities whom they are bound to uphold and the people whom they are bound to protect. The same lesson was taught in the railroad riots of 1877. Some of the Pennsylvania Militia there disbanded in the face of the rioters, through sympathy with their cause; others could not be marched for the same reason; still others openly went over to the mob, and gave up to them their State arms and ammunition. Neither from the Pennsylvania nor the California experience are we to infer that Militia are useless. Riots and threatened riots in this City have shown them to be of great value. But it would be folly to deny that there are cases in which, even for disorders arising within States, from strictly local causes, the Militia must be supplemented by professional soldiers. The militiaman is a "citizen-soldier"—he may be fifteen days of the year soldier and the other three hundred and fifty citizen. And when we see of what varying classes, in respect of race, religion, color, politics, and industrial employment the Militia of a single State or city is made up, it is not strange that local grievances often paralyze in part the effectiveness of the force. We talk much of reliance for protection on the National Guard, and often their services are invaluable; but yet sometimes, as in Pennsylvania and California, the first inquiry is, who will guard the Guardsmen?

It is quite possible that among the regular troops now in San Francisco there are more haters of Chinese, and perhaps more Irish, than in the average of the Militia. But they, nevertheless, will march and shoot at command. Regulars, and regulars only, are the typical executive force, because they do not consider, but obey. Congress has now before it a crowd of bills for the organization of a national Militia, or for increasing the State Militias, and turning them into a homogeneous force; and one argument adduced in their favor is that they will diminish the necessity for a regular Army. But the increase of the Militia will not do away with the need of an Army. Adding to the number of amateur soldiers will not alter the value of professional soldiers. If all the States should do what New-York has done for her Militia system, there would be no need of knocking at the doors of Congress for help. But the Army would still be equally needed—needed even in such exigencies as those of 1877 in Pennsylvania, and those of to-day in California, as well as for the ordinary Indian and garrison service. Then, those States that have the largest Militia force to-day in proportion to their population, are three Southern States, and there they are likely to prove, in any breach of the peace over a heated election, simply the cohorts of the shot-gun Democracy. Taking all precautions of selection, and inculcating all possible lessons of simple soldierly obedience, it is yet clear that our Militia troops are liable to be swayed by local or temporary excitement, and may not always be willing to fire upon kinsmen and neighbors with whom they sympathize. When the law of the land and local sympathy are at odds, there is always anxiety to know what the Militia, or some of them, will do. It is beyond question that to-day there is everywhere a feeling of greater confidence in the triumph of law and order in San Francisco from the knowledge that detachments of the Army are there.

A REFORMED MISSIONARY.

The case of the Rev. William Schoresch, who is about to borrow a French iron-clad and bring her into our harbor, for the purpose of knocking the Bible House into small pieces, deserves the careful consideration of all thoughtful patriots.

Mr. Schoresch, according to the veracious story told by him to the Police authorities, enlisted, in 1875, as a missionary in the service of the Presbyterian Board of Missions. What led him to take this reckless step we are not told, but he was probably young and thoughtless, rather than hopelessly depraved. Soon after his enlistment he was sent to Africa to join a force of missionaries stationed in that rather large locality. Instead of joining with them in their unholy and reckless way of life, Mr. Schoresch repented of his rashness in becoming a missionary, and resolved to be an honest man and a terror to evil-doers. He found that the missionaries, instead of converting native Kings, were busily engaged in trade. This naturally shocked Mr. Schoresch. The missionaries spent their whole time in buying and selling dry goods, millinery, groceries, and patent medicines, in speculating in Ujiji town lots, and in gambling in Central African railway and mining stocks. They listened to the click of the stock indicators in the principal hotels of Timbuctoo and Unyanyembe with more eagerness than to the singing of "Greenland's icy mountains" by a choir of converted native Kings, and they spent their nights in planning how to make "corners" in earthenware gods, or how to depress the stock of the Lualaba Slave-trading Association, (limited,) or to "bull" the shares of the Nyam-Nyam Cannibal Salting and Preserving Company. When Mr. Schoresch reflected that these wicked and mercenary men are believed by simple-minded persons in civilized lands to be occupied solely in converting heathen, he was filled with a just and fiery indignation.

Proceeding in his investigation, Mr. Schoresch found that the missionaries in Africa had misappropriated $49,000 of the missionary fund. As is well known, the Presbyterian Missionary Society places in the hands of its foreign missionaries hundreds of thousands of dollars, to be used solely for carrying on the work of converting native Kings. Precisely how this money is used is a matter of detail with which we need not concern ourselves, but it is notorious that the African missionaries seldom have less than half a million dollars on deposit in the local African banks, subject to their order. Of this trust-money, nearly $50,000 have, according to Mr. Schoresch, been embezzled by the missionaries, and used by them for their own purposes, either in stock-gambling or in riotous living, and there is no question that in this matter their conduct has been disgraceful.

Of course, no man could thus collect evidence of missionary crimes without incurring the hatred of the missionaries. Those desperate men, as soon as they discovered that Mr. Schoresch was determined to make public their misdeeds, resolved to kill him. They poisoned his coffee, and when they found that poison had no effect upon him, they laid in wait for him at street corners, and shot at him with guns and pistols. His situation must have been a very trying one. He was unarmed and friendless, and a band of bloodthirsty missionaries was hunting him and swearing to have his life. In these circumstances he prudently came back to New-York, and after laying his evidence before the Presbyterian Mission authorities, applied for the arrears of his salary.

It is plain that the men in control of the Presbyterian Missionary Society in this country are as bad as their subordinates in Africa. Instead of thanking Mr. Schoresch for his efforts to thwart dishonesty and crime, they refused to pay him his salary and put him out of the Bible House. He promptly applied to the Police Commissioners, informing them that he was a reformed missionary, and requesting them to "pull" the Bible House and collect his salary for him. The Police Commissioners, while they sympathized with his wrongs, were compelled to admit that, in the present faulty condition of our laws, a missionary society is not an illegal body, and cannot be taken up by the Police without a warrant. Mr. Schoresch then announced that he was a citizen of France, and that, much as he regretted the necessity of causing an effusion of bricks and mortar, he should borrow a large-sized French iron-clad and batter down the Bible House.

Although this truthful exposure of the nefarious practices of African missionaries is of remarkable interest, it will be eclipsed in the public mind by the threatened bombardment of the Bible House. The attention of President Hayes should be called to the matter at once. He must send a powerful Message to Congress, denying the right of any European iron-clad to knock down a Bible House on this continent. Such a Message would fill French officialdom with terror, and not a single iron-clad would be lent to Mr. Schoresch. The sooner this is done the better, and Mr. Hayes ought to lose no time in following up his Canal Message with another equally powerful Message in opposition to Mr. Schoresch's Bible House scheme.

There is only one feature in Mr. Schoresch's narrative which seems at all improbable. He says that he is a Frenchman. He must admit that his name is not a French name. At first sight it suggests a German name, but it more closely resembles an attempt by an American with a bad cold, and an insufficiency of teeth to pronounce some such purely German name as Schurz. If this be true, and Mr. Schoresch be not a Frenchman, we may distrust his assertion that he is a reformed missionary, and may even go so far as to assume that he is a new kind of lunatic, who has been reading books of African travel and lectures by Mr. Bob Ingersoll, and has combined the information thus obtained.

The election methods of Tammany have penetrated the outlying County of Harper in Kansas, and have been followed by the bucolic voters of that region with an enthusiasm that would do credit to the Sixth Ward of this City. The number of legal voters in Harper County is 806. The number of votes returned at the county election held last November was 2,947, or just 2,147 more than the legal vote. This is about as well as could be expected in an "off year" in so small a county, and at an election which was not particularly favorable for this kind of work. But, unfortunately, the thing was overdone. The Canvassing Board refused to make any return of the election. Their course might have been different if only half or even two-thirds of the votes had been fraudulent, but it was too much to expect a return when only about one vote in four was legal. The Supreme Court was asked to issue a mandamus compelling the board to canvass the returns and declare the result. The court has just given its opinion. It does not deny that the duties of the board are mainly ministerial and that generally its duty is not to inquire into the legality of votes, but to make a return of the *prima facie* results of the election. But here the outrage was so gross and so apparent as to make the case an exception. The returns "are manifestly rotten and the truth is not in them." They do not fail of absolute truth through mere mistake or error. "They are an intentional and immense lie. They are without value in any proceeding or in any court as evidence of votes cast, for while local and bona fide votes were cast, yet no court is under obligations to attempt to sift the grain of truth from the mass of falsehood." After remarking that this was "a county-seat fight," and that "it is one of the sad things connected with such fights that the obligation of honesty in elections seems to be so often forgotten," and not doubting that "there are men, good and true, in Harper County," the court refused to compel the Canvassing Board to make a return of the election.

The interest taken in politics by ladies in England at the close of the last century, when Mrs. Crewe, the Duchess of Devonshire, and others were really a power in the State, is again evinced to-day, and now, as then, is most conspicuous among the Whig aristocracy. Thus, at Liverpool, lately, Lady Ramsay was a most active coadjutor to her husband, and there is no question that Lady Portsmouth's popularity and eloquence (she addressed the electors) largely assisted to secure her son's return for Barnstaple. On the other hand, the Tory ladies, too, occasionally come to the fore. Lord Mandeville is believed to have benefited not a little by the effect of his American wife's beauty and persuasive wiles on the bucolic minds of Huntingdonshire, while Lady Westminster and her daughter (deserting the traditionary family politics) unquestionably turned the scale two years ago in Dorsetshire. The next fortnight will probably see an immense amount of feminine fascination brought to bear on the electoral list. Now that every householder in towns has a vote, the burden of individual canvassing becomes very heavy, and the services of a wife, mother, or sister well up to the business all the more acceptable. In country districts, the ladies of a well-known family are often so personally popular and well known among farmers and peasantry, that the mere fact of its being understood that they desire the return of a certain candidate would go far in his favor.

A deputation composed of chemical manufacturers went recently to Washington with the double purpose of inducing the Government to replace a duty of 10 per cent. on quinine, and to remove the duty of 10 per cent. on East India bark, or what amounts to the same thing, East India bark coming to this country in English ships. It is not in the least supposable that the duty on quinine will be relinquished. But as to the taking off of the duty on East India bark, there is every reason why it should be removed. Bush bark as comes from South America finds its way to the eastern and western coast. We have some trade with the eastern coast, but very little with the western one. Cinchona bark from the east is wretchedly poor in the medicinal alkaloid, while western bark is rather richer. We get the first, and hardly any of the second. England, ever watchful as to her interests, has been cultivating cinchona plantations in the East Indies with wonderful success. Such Ceylon or other bark contains usually four to five times more quinine than the best of South American bark. As it takes precisely the same quantity of work and solvent materials to get one-half or three-fourths of 1 per cent. of quinine out of a poor bark as it does to obtain 3 to 3 per cent. out of a good bark, with the 10 per cent. duty imposed on East India bark, our quinine manufacturers must labor at a discount. Of course, protective tariffs are of that complicated character that when an attempt is made to pull out one stop in the organ the whole thing is in discord. We take off a duty on quinine, and prevent our quinine-makers getting good bark. That is about the gist of it. But there are other things which really work against the home quinine-maker, and that is the duty imposed on those solvents which pay internal revenue. If, for instance, syrup had been taxed, and sugar paid 10 per cent. and water 60 per cent., a removal of the tariff on sugar and the retaining of a tax on the water would help out the manufacturers of syrup, but in a very trifling degree. We are not disposed to be ungrateful for the slight boon we have received by the removal of the duty on quinine, but to give the country at large and the manufacturers the benefits of a cheap quinine, the makers of this alkaloid ought to buy the best bark at the cheapest figure.

Notwithstanding frequent well-attested cases of death from trichina, both here and abroad, many persons, mainly of the uneducated class, seem to think trichina, as a source of fatal disease, an invention of physicians. Every few weeks we observe the record of a fatal case in the West, usually in the country. Recently, two deaths, those of a Mrs. Harris and her daughter, have been reported at the village of West Sonora, Ohio. They informed their physician that, a week or so before their illness, they had eaten freely of raw pork; that they experienced almost immediately excoriating nausea, and were compelled to go to bed, from which they never arose. All their symptoms were those generally attendant upon the disorder, and there is no reasonable doubt that they owe their death to the raw pork. Trichina, or trichina *spiralis*, is the name of a peculiar nematoid worm, which, in its sexual immaturity, inhabits the muscles, generally of the pig. It was discovered, in 1835, Wormald, then Demonstrator of Anatomy at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, giving to Richard Owen, the celebrated naturalist, four microscopic specimens of speckled muscle from a subject then in the dissecting-room. Owen, who has usually received credit for the discovery, communicated, soon after, to the Zoological Society a description of a microscopic animalcule infesting the muscles of the human body. A medical student named Paget had also arrived, independently, at similar results at the same time, and read a paper to the Abernethian Society a week before Owen had presented his. Ever since then, the trichina has been actively discussed on both sides of the sea in all medical and scientific associations. Various theories were advanced, but it was not till 1860 that Virchow and Leuckhart arrived separately, by feeding animals on flesh containing trichinæ, at the conclusion that the parents of the encysted trichinæ are small thread-like worms never before revealed to science. Leuckhart's experiments being made with human flesh occupied by these parasites. Young trichinæ, as seen in the muscles, look like spirally-coiled worms in the interior of small globular oval cysts, and are barely perceptible to the naked eye. These cysts are externally covered with calcareous matter, more or less, according to the time they have remained fixed, and the degree of degeneration of their walls. The worm measures 1-12 of an inch long, and 1-120 broad. The cysts are sometimes wholly absent, and hence must be regarded as abnormal—the result of local inflammation caused by presence of the worm which in this larval state, is very much smaller. An enormous number of these larvæ may exist simultaneously in the muscles of a single person. Leuckhart estimated that one ounce of flesh of a cat contained 325,000 trichinæ. If all the voluntary muscles of a man of ordinary size were similarly affected, the worms would exceed 1,950,000,000. Some physicians assert that a single sufferer may be infested by 20,000,000. How the pig acquires its trichinæ is unknown; but the larvæ worms, no doubt, get into its body from pork or flesh. The adult trichinæ may infestin the intestinal canal of all animals in which the larvæ have been found in the muscles, and the animals include man, dog, cat, mouse, rabbit, mole, rat, hedgehog and badger.

Mr. Francis Galton is most original in his particular line of investigations. A very pleasant one which he has been developing of late is to find out how people of a mathematical turn of mind array their figures in their heads, and many curious brain pictures have been shown by him. With some people figures take strange shapes, positions, and even colors. Numbers are not as numbers, but are as types. Additions or subtractions of figures, in some cases, remain as if printed on the brain, and are indelible. Mr. Galton has of late, gone, so it is reported, on a new departure to which Huxley has given the name of "generic portraits." The investigator asked himself this question: Why is it, when we see a Spaniard, a Frenchman, or a German, that we at once recognize their nationality? Costume has nothing to do with it. It must arise from certain resemblances in the physiognomy of a race. The similarities in the face may be slight, but still they do exist. If they exist, would it be possible, to know exactly what they are? If the space between the eyes, or the length of the nose, or the set of the jaws, makes divergences, could the differences between Frenchmen and the Germans be, distinguished? All the members of a family have traits of resemblance which require no very careful investigation to determine. Why, then, should not a whole race have these distinguishing traits? Mr. Galton calls in the photograph. A numerous series of pictures are taken, of Spaniards, so the account goes. One after another these pictures are reproduced on a single plate, the one being the recipient of all the rest. As nearly as possible one profile of head is superimposed on another. The process is an instantaneous one, as a very strong image is not desirable. As one line of a nose or a cheek-bone covers another, in time, where there is similarity, this particular part of the picture will become stronger; where there is no parallelism the effects will be more obscured and wanting in definiteness. In this way, if we believe a French account, (stories are sometimes singularly embellished by translation,) Mr. Galton is said to have found some of the secrets of races. Carrying his investigations further, Mr. Galton has been busy, according to the French narrative, in reconstructing the profiles of some remarkable people of former times. Now, Cleopatra has come down to us, at least on the coins of her period, as a singularly homely lady. Mr. Galton, by comparing all the existing types, finds that she was an extremely lovely personage. If the facts are as represented, this method might be of great use in making zoological researches, and Darwinism might triumph in showing exactly when men and apes resemble.

GENERAL NOTES.

A bank share of stock was transferred in Providence on Saturday which had remained in one name since 1795.

The Richmond (Va.) *State*, which affects much independence at times, does not think that the thirteenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth amendments are "right."

San Francisco reports are to the effect that since the 1st of January, between $5,000,000 and $6,000,000 of gold coin have been shipped to New-York from that city.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has rendered a decision against John F. Girard and numerous other heirs of Stephen Girard, claimants to several millions of the decedent's estate.

A Japanese student of English, being required to write a treatise upon the domestic animal, handed in the following: "The cat is a small cattle. When he sees a rat he luminate his eyes."

The Vicksburg (Miss.) *Herald* says: "There is grave doubt that Mr. Tilden could secure the Democratic-Conservative vote of this State; there is not a doubt that Mr. Bayard could secure it."

The Columbus, (Ga.) *Sun* says there are 600,000 spindles in the South, and Georgia has 213,157 of them, while Columbus has one-third of the latter number, all yet in operation since 1866.

The New-Orleans *Democrat* views with alarm the movement apparently on foot to flood the State of Louisiana with lottery companies and policy shops, under the plea of adding to the educational fund.

The Hon. William Mungen has declined the Prohibitory nomination for Supreme Judge of Ohio, saying that while he is a temperance man, and regards the liquor traffic as a great evil, he cannot consent to be a candidate.

Messrs. George L. Ruffin, John J. Smith, and Richard S. Brown, in behalf of the Wendell Phillips Club, of Boston, (composed of colored citizens,) have sent a letter of thanks to Attorney-General Devens for his conduct of the Virginia cases, involving the right of colored citizens to sit on juries.

The New-Orleans *Democrat* appeals to the Louisiana House to take early action upon the Senate resolution empowering the Governor to employ extra counsel in the case brought in the United States Supreme Court against the State by New-Hampshire to enforce the payment of its bonds.

Mr. Vennor is advertising back numbers of his almanacs at 10 cents each, and in a communication to the Montreal *Witness* chuckles over the cold weather of Saturday morning last, and, alluding over the recent chroniclers of the arrivals of the harbingers of Spring, cries: "Poor crow, poor blue-bird poor robin, poor goose."

A firm in Reading, Penn., which uses the yolks of thousands of eggs in tanning kid, has put in operation a steam egg-beater, having a capacity of 20,000 eggs. The tank, made of cedar, is 2½ feet in diameter and 2½ feet in height, and contains two revolving rakes, bevel wheels and pinions running in opposite directions.

The Washington correspondent of the Richmond *Dispatch* reports the Hon. J. Randolph Tucker as urging that the Conservatives of Virginia must heal their differences. Otherwise, he says, there will be two separate Electoral tickets, each being for the same nominee for

shown in the Bills, and calculated to do great injury to society. His Lordship called on all churchmen to do their utmost to prevent the passage of the bill.

The Milwaukee (Wis.) *Christian Statesman* says: "In a letter written at Boise City, Idaho, our old friend and fellow-state, Norman Buck, says: 'I now have my commission and have been duly sworn into office as Associate Justice of this Territory; and, while I thank God for success, I pray also that He may give me grace and wisdom for the new duties devolving upon me.' These words have the right ring in them, and to his prayer we all say Amen."

The Republicans of Van Zandt County, Texas, met in convention on the 1st inst. to elect delegates to the State Convention, and formally declared that as Zach. Chandler is dead, they propose to vote for Grant as the next best thing they can do. The Republicans of Harrison County, same State, instructed their delegates to the State Convention to use their influence and cast their votes in favor of sending to the National Convention a solid delegation for Grant for President and Blaine for Vice-President.

The Troy *Press* is amused by the talk in England about the "large case" made up by the journal for the Tichborne claimant, which comprises 1,324 folios, 5,638 lines, and 95,688 words, and it says: "Now, this is a very small affair compared with the 'case' recently printed at the *Press* job printing office in the famous Snyder will case, of Pittstown, tried before Surrogate Moses Warren, in which Jacob Harmon Snyder is plaintiff. It consists of 3,407 folios, 25,160 lines, and upward of 340,000 words, exclusive of the index."

The Philadelphia *North American* thus expresses its own and a widely-prevalent feeling: "The manner in which Secretary Sherman is using his official influence to further his own political ambition is provoking general and hearty reprobation. If half the current stories are true, Mr. Sherman fully deserves all the censure of which he is the object. It is all the worse that he should have committed the offenses of which he has been charged, and in part convicted, because he is a member of an Administration which has talked so loudly about civil service reform, and has professed to be truly good."

The Chicago *Tribune* says that New-York, Maine, Ohio, Illinois, New-Hampshire, Connecticut, New-Jersey, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Colorado, and Oregon have secured quarters for their delegations to the National Republican Convention at the Grand Pacific Hotel. Pennsylvania and several other States will be at the Palmer. Iowa, North Carolina, and many others at the Sherman. The proprietors of the leading hotels refuse to make arrangements with the general public for rooms during convention week until after May 1. The *Tribune* adds: "Everybody will have a chance, and there will be no increase of rates."

AMUSEMENTS.

ITALIAN OPERA AT THE ACADEMY.

The popularity of Donizetti's "Lucia," or more properly of the superb performance which the artists of Mr. Maretzek's company give of this familiar work, was evident last night in the size and character of the audience. One of the largest houses of the season, and one of the most enthusiastic as well, was present, the principal artists were all in good voice and exerted themselves to the utmost, all the details were faithfully attended to, and as the result the performance was almost perfect. Miss Maximon sang in the first part of the opera with more vigor than she exhibited on the opening night, and was, if possible, more brilliant in the elaborate ornamentation in which she revels with such phenomenal skill and such perfect taste. Her persuasion was more evenly good than before, and she was rewarded with the most hearty applause. She was recalled after the mad scene, in the singing of which she has never been equaled in New-York so far as florid execution is concerned. Signor Campanini's Edgardo and Signor Galassi's Ashton were two of the best performances of these eminent artists. The great tenor was as thrilling and impressive in his action as he has ever appeared and sang with all his astonishing powers. In the scene which follows the pastor his dramatic talent made it one of the strongest ever seen on the operatic stage. His utterance of the single word "*respondi*," which he speaks instead of singing, when he holds the marriage contract in his hand and confronts Lucia, is a point which no other tenor has before made. The final scene was an extraordinary piece of artistic work in every respect, and has never been equaled. The minor parts, chorus, and orchestra were all excellent, and were guided by Signor Arditi with his customary precision and faithfulness. "Aida" is the opera for to-night in Brooklyn.

MR. MORGAN'S MATINEE.

Mr. Morgan's fourth matinée at Chickering Hall, yesterday, was as fully attended as the previous concerts of the series have been, the audience almost filling the house. The programme contained three harp solos, which Miss Morgan played acceptably, though it is evident that her studies are not yet completed, and her style is immature. The first selection was spoiled by the breaking of two strings. A harp solo must be very fine to be at all interesting, and as it would be flattery to pronounce Miss Morgan a great artist at present, these portions of the concert were the least enjoyable. Mr. Morgan played, in his usual brilliant manner, a prelude by Bach, a sonata by Mendelssohn, and a composition of his own, and Mr. William G. Baird, who is a general favorite with the concert-going public, sang Gounod's "Nazareth." Mr. Baird was in capital voice, and never sang better. He was recalled with much enthusiasm, and gave a second performance. The 27th and last of Mr. Morgan's matinées will be given next Wednesday, when Miss Statesman, contralto of Plymouth Church, will be the vocalist, and Mr. Dayas will play an organ solo.

GENERAL MENTION.

It is said that Mr. John Brougham's new play, "Home Rule," will be brought out in this City, perhaps as early as next month.

Mr. George Vandenhoff will be heard this afternoon in Chickering Hall. His programme will be made up of choice selections from Dickens.

Mr. Maurice Grau's company at the Fifth-avenue Theatre will sing "La Belle Hélène" to-night and "La Grande Duchesse" to-morrow, with the favorite principal artists in the leading roles.

The performances of burlesque now being given at the Standard Theatre will be followed by by Miss Finley in "M'liss" after next week. This play, which has many elements of interest was produced at the same theatre last season.

The last performance of "The Lion" will be given on Saturday evening at Wallack's Theatre, and "How She Loves Him" will follow on Monday. The latter play will be cast with the full strength of Mr. Wallack's company, including both Mr. Wallack and Mr. Boucicault. The appearance together of two such popular actors will certainly excite public interest.

The public rehearsal for the fifth concert of the Symphony Society is to be given this afternoon at Steinway Hall. Dr. Damrosch has arranged an interesting programme composed entirely of orchestral works, containing Beethoven's "Eroica" symphony, Goldmark's "Penthesilea" overture, a new "Slavonic Rhapsodie" by Dvorak, and Liszt's "Tasso." The concert will follow on Saturday evening.

On next Monday evening Mr. Neil Burgess, who has been playing of late with success in all the leading cities of this country, will finally introduce "P. V. Hasey's" farcical play "Widow Bedott" to a New-York audience. He will assume the "Trumbull Sweet" at Haverly's Theatre. The play is based upon the popular "Bedott Papers," and is said to be very amusing. Mr. Burgess is described as an excellent comic actor.

The Oratorio Society announces their production of Bach's "Passion Music" on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday evening of next week, at St. George's Church, Stuyvesant-square. The solo parts are to be rendered by Mrs. Dow, Miss Matilda Phillips, the Messrs. Winch, of Boston, and Mr. Altes. The society has been industriously rehearsing the work since their late successful performances of "La Damnation de Faust," and the public can look forward with certainty to a rare musical treat.

The Bijou Opera-house, which is shortly to be opened in this City under the management of Messrs. Ford and McCaull, is the latest addition to the growing number of our Metropolitan theatres. It is the old Broadway Opera-house remodeled and embellished, and its managers intend to offer the public a fresh and novel series of entertainments, in the style of those given in London by Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft lately. The opening attraction will be Gilbert and Sullivan's opera "Agra Ann," and "Chasing Rainbows at Home," by Bolton Rowe and Alfred Sutro. Both of these pieces have been very popular in London, and Mr. Sullivan is interested in the opera, and will act as stage director.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS

THE JESUIT DISPUTE IN FRANCE.

THE DEPUTIES OF THE LEFT DECIDE TO INTERPELLATE THE GOVERNMENT.

PARIS, March 10.—At a meeting of the bureaus of the various groups of the Left in the Chamber of Deputies, to-day, it was resolved that nothing less than the passing of Article 7 in its entirety could be accepted by the Left, and that an interpellation be addressed to the Government in the Chamber.

The *République Française* declares that antagonism between the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies has begun again, and that the Senate must be saved. In spite of itself, from the consequences of its action. The *Journal des Débats* recommends the Cabinet to seek some means of compromising the difficulty. The Radical papers demand the application of the existing laws to religious orders. The journals of the Right regard the vote as a victory of Liberal over Jacobin policy.

LONDON, March 11.—A Paris correspondent announces that there is no truth in the reports that M. Ferry has resigned the Ministry of the Interior.

Another dispatch from Paris says: "In the division of the Senate on Article 7 of the Ferry Education bill, the whole of the right voted against the clause, and were joined by Messrs. Simon, Dufaure, Laboulaye, and 26 other Moderate Republicans. Seven Republicans purposely abstained from voting. At the meeting of the groups of the Left and advanced Left yesterday, resolutions were adopted for an immediate interpellation, calling on the Government to enforce the laws against unauthorized orders. The Pure Left decided to wait until after the second reading of the bill, and the Extreme Left reserved its decision."

RELIEVING THE IRISH DISTRESS.

LIBERAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ALL QUARTERS—THE NEEDS OF THE FUTURE.

DUBLIN, March 10.—The Mansion House Relief Committee says: "Munificent contributions continue to flow in. There was received yesterday the sum of £2,000 from Brisbane, £1,500 from Adelaide, and £1,000 from Sydney, Australia; £300 from Nelson, New-Zealand, and £600 from Launceston. Had it not been for the Australian contributions, the operations of the committee would have long since ceased." The sum of £100 has been received from the Bishop of Ottawa, Ontario; £206 from Winnipeg, Manitoba; £190 from Wilmington, N. C., and £11 from East Palestine, Ohio. A letter has been received from the Irish Relief Committee of London, Ontario, advising the dispatch of provisions thence to Liverpool. A letter has been received from Dr. George H. Hepworth, one of the members of the committee appointed for the distribution of the *Herald* Relief Fund, to which a reply was sent that any information, assistance, or co-operation which can be given to the *Herald* Committee shall be given most willingly, and cordially. The letter says: "To co-operate with the *Herald* Committee will be equally a pleasure and a duty. But, large as is the sum subscribed by the various funds, there is too much reason to fear that it will be all too little to meet the urgent necessities of the case. There is, therefore, all the more need for rigid economy and careful administration. The committee thoroughly realizes the dangers of administrating funds subscribed for the same object through various organizations. No matter what precaution may be taken, such a system cannot but result in a certain amount of inequality of distribution, of waste, and probably of demoralization. The committee will be most desirous, at all times, to co-operate with the *Herald* Committee and other organizations in order to reduce these unavoidable evils to the minimum. The committee has great reason to fear that the destitution is likely to increase. The experiences of former famines have shown that the time of the worst trial is usually in the months of May, June, July, and a part of August. The committee has, therefore, long and heavy labor before it, which must tax all its powers to the uttermost." The letter is signed by the Right Hon. E. Dwyer Gray, Lord Mayor of Dublin. One hundred and four grants were made yesterday. This is the largest number that has been made in one day. The subscriptions now reach the sum of £109,000, of which £54,000 is in hand.

LONDON, March 11.—The *Standard* is informed that its statement with reference to measures for the purchase of Irish waste lands for distribution to farmers was premature.

GREAT FIRES ABROAD.

TWENTY-FOUR PERSONS KILLED AT MOSCOW—A CITY IN HERZEGOVINA NEARLY DESTROYED.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—A great fire occurred on Monday at the weaving works in Moscow. The entire building was detroyed. Twenty-four persons were burned to death and 29 injured.

RAGUSA, March 10.—Intelligence has been received here that three-fourths of Nevrsinje, Herzegovina, were destroyed by fire yesterday, including the residence of the commandant and the Post Office and telegraph office. Many persons were rendered homeless, but no lives were lost. The fire originated accidentally.

CURRENT FOREIGN TOPICS.

LONDON, March 10.—Mr. Grissell, who was recently committed to Newgate on the vote of the House of Commons, will be released as soon as Parliament has been dissolved.

A dispatch from Teheran, dated the 9th inst., says: "Gen. Mounravieff-Amourski's cavalry escort have surprised and defeated a force of 400 Tekke-Turcomans near Douzouloum, killing 30 of them. Nine thousand Tekke-Turcomans are concentrated at Kizil-Arvat."

A dispatch from Vienna says: "Baron Von Hofmann, Austro-Hungarian Minister of Finance, will resign that post in consequence of the Hungarians protesting against his holding it simultaneously with the office of Commissioner for Bosnia."

ROME, March 10.—To-day being the anniversary of the death of Giuseppe Mazzini, the Italian patriot, a number of Republicans proceeded to the Capitol and placed wreaths on a bust of the deceased. The Police seized some illegal Irredenta emblems, and arrested Signor Fratte for a violent speech. This is considered as evidence of the Government's intention openly to oppose the Italia Irredenta movement.

MADRID, March 10.—In the Senate yesterday Gen. Martinez-Campos declared himself an adversary of Premier Canovas del Castillo, and said he was anxious to unify the Liberal opposition to the policy of the Premier. Señor Canovas del Castillo replied that he was not an adversary of Gen. Martinez-Campos, since they defended in common the great interests of Spain. He said that the deficit of four millions in the Cuban budget prevented any reduction in the taxation of Cuba. The present Government was not responsible for the condition of that island. He expressed confidence in Captain-General Blanco's ability to govern Cuba well.

BERLIN, March 10.—The *North German Gazette* denies the accuracy of the reports published in Berlin and London of Prince Bismarck's observations at the Parliamentary soirée on the 8th inst., concerning the Hartmann case, the relations of Germany with the Vatican, and other political matters.

The Crown Prince Frederick William returned from Italy yesterday. To-day he attended the ceremony of unveiling a statue of his grandmother, Queen Louisa.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—Gen. Von Drentela has resigned the post of Chief of the Third Section (or Police Department) of the Emperor's Privy Chancellery.

LONDON, March 11.—A St. Petersburg correspondent reports that the authorities are alarmed for the safety of the State Bank. Numerous precautions have been taken. Extra watchmen have been placed on guard, and everybody entering or leaving the building is questioned by the Police.

PROMISES OF THE WHEAT CROP.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, March 10.—The *Price Current* will publish to-morrow morning special returns from nearly 300 points in the West in regard to the growing wheat crop. The indications are almost uniformly favorable as to condition and flattering as to prospects, especially in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, and Michigan. In Missouri complaints are exceptional. In Nebraska the Winter crop is generally reported favorable. Wet weather has done harm in Illinois, while in Kansas and Iowa there are complaints of dry weather, but an average crop is expected. The most serious complaints of Winter killing come from Wisconsin. An increased acreage is generally reported. The *Price Current* regards the promise as favorable for an unusually large yield of Winter wheat, while the returns from the Spring wheat region show an increased acreage of this crop.

TROUBLES IN SAN FRANCISCO.

MAYOR KALLOCH ISSUES A PROCLAMATION—COMMENTS ON THE VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—Mayor Kalloch has issued a proclamation as follows:

I deem it my duty to the city over whose welfare I have been called to preside, and to the public at large, which is being infamously deceived by incendiary misrepresentations as to our situation, to declare in the most emphatic and public manner that there is not, and never has been, the slightest reason to apprehend any disturbance, riot, or lawlessness whatever from the working classes of San Francisco. If trouble comes to us, it will not come from them. Most inexcusable and outrageous means are being used by designing men to goad them into riotous demonstrations, but they will fail. They are, as they have proved themselves to be under most trying provocation, the law-abiding and peace-preserving portion of our population. I vouch to the world for them that they will so continue, and I further declare, however the people abroad may be imposed upon, that the people of this city see through all the transparent humbuggery of military interference, police increase, and inflammatory circulars, and will wait their constitutional day of judgment to peacably but effectively consign their authors to political infamy and oblivion, which they most richly deserve. I. S. KALLOCH, Mayor.

The *Call* this morning, without any direct reference to the proclamation of the Vigilance Committee, dissuades the community from any violent measures as unnecessary to either party. The *Chronicle* strongly commends the vigilance organization, and intimates that the first blow should be struck at the leaders of the agitators and not at the rank and file. The *Alta* scouts at the necessity for the concentration of troops here, holding that the Vigilance Committee is amply able to cope with the Sand Lots crowd, and concludes as follows: "Let us have peace; and we mean to have it, inside the law if we can—outside if we must." It also denounces the Mayor's proclamation as an insult to the people.

Everything has been very quiet to-day and there is nothing new to report regarding the agitation. The community is evidently awaiting and expecting some decided step. It is understood that the Executive Committee of the Council held a meeting this afternoon, but nothing has yet been made public regarding the proceedings. In conversation to-day, Kearney emphatically reiterated his statement, previously telegraphed, that neither he nor the Working Men's Party desired any conflict, and the first step must come from the other side. He further expressed confidence that none would occur. There is a rumor that Kearney is to be arrested to-night for his remarks at the meeting last evening.

CONSERVATIVES IN VIRGINIA.

DECLINING TO BE CONSIDERED DEMOCRATS—TRYING TO FIND OUT WHAT THEY ARE.

RICHMOND, Va., March 10.—The Conservative State Central Committee met here to-night for the purpose of calling a State Convention to select delegates to the National Democratic Convention. In a discussion upon the position of the members of the committee who had acted with the Readjuster Party in the last canvass, and who had been, as they claimed, read out of the Conservative party for their opposition to the McCulloch debt settlement, Dr. Wise, of Williamsburg, twice refused to say whether he would or would not pledge himself to support a Democratic or any other nominee for President, but finally said that as between Grant and Tilden he was in favor of the former, but as between Hancock and Grant he was in favor of Hancock. He was followed, in the same spirit, by Messrs. Grover, of Norfolk, and Stovall, of Henry County, who distinctly agreed with Dr. Wise in opposing any call for a State Convention, which call should include all who desire the election of a Democrat. Ex-President. The proposed call is so wide as to include everybody who desires to be a Democrat in national politics, no matter of what disposition, color, or condition, present or past. Mr. Stovall said, in a prolonged appeal, that it was time for Virginia to lead, not to follow, the South. He said there was on one side the dead carcass of Democracy, on the other hand the living force of a great party, and it became Virginia to be a part of the living, and not of the dead. The upshot was that the Readjusters who are members of the committee were entirely unwilling to take part in any Democratic or Conservative movement, and that they were holding aloof for future developments.

The committee finally decided upon May 19 as the time and Richmond as the place for holding the convention. A committee of three was appointed to invite the Readjusters to participate. Messrs. Wise, Groner, and Stovall entered a protest against the action of the committee.

NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATORS.

SURPRISES IN THE ELECTION OF A JERSEY CITY JUSTICE—THE WATER-WORKS BILL.

TRENTON, March 10.—Great excitement has prevailed to-day over the election of a Police Justice, to take Judge Davis's seat, in Jersey City. The office is comparatively a small one, but the struggle to secure it has been marked by much bitterness. The rule is, that in the choice of local officers elected as the Police Justice is, in joint meeting, the action of the local caucus is final. Of the three Republican members from Jersey City, Mr. Potts wanted John Van Alst chosen; Mr. Lawrence was willing to see any one of half a dozen candidates in his own district chosen; Mr. Stilsing had no candidate for the place, but it was generally understood that if the honor were thrust upon him he would blushingly accept it. These three legislators got together to-day and began to ballot for a candidate. Mr. Potts voted through 25 ballots for Van Alst. Mr. Lawrence voted for each one of the candidates in his district by turns. Mr. Stilsing voted at random for one or the other of the candidates. As luck would have it, he and Lawrence struck on the same name on one ballot. It was that of William C. Matthews. The three voters looked at each other in surprise, but it was decided unanimously to present Matthews's name to the joint meeting. During the short recess at noon Mr. Stilsing's friends were very active. In the joint meeting Mr. Lawrence nominated William C. Matthews. Mr. Voorhis, of Hunterdon, a Republican, nominated Assemblyman Stilsing. Despite an appeal to the Republicans of the two houses to stand by the action of the local Republican caucus, 41 votes were cast for Stilsing, and only 31 votes for Matthews. Of the 41 votes which Stilsing received 30 were cast by Democrats.

In the Senate this afternoon, Senator Rabe's bill, authorizing seven or more persons residing in this State to form a company to "construct, maintain, and operate water-works for the purpose of supplying any one or more of the cities, towns, and villages of this State and the inhabitants thereof with water," met with much opposition from Senator Francis, who said it was part of the scheme described in Monday morning's TIMES. Senator Rabe said that it was only to supply the North Hudson towns with water. The bill was passed by 11 votes. It contains a proviso that the water shall not be taken out of the State, and another forbidding the purchase of the Morris Canal water franchise. The Senate had a long struggle this afternoon over the bill for the construction of an elevated railroad in Hudson County. Senators Francis, Deacon, and others offered repeated amendments to the bill, but they were most of them defeated. One which was adopted require the projectors of the road to make the deposit of money required as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the projectors. Finally, after a two hours' struggle, the bill, on motion of Senator Hobart, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 11 to 9.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATS.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 10.—The State Democratic Executive Committee to-night decided to call a nominating convention for June 1. Delegates to Cincinnati and a State ticket will be chosen by the convention.

CRIME AND ITS RESULTS

THE LEWIS WILL CONSPIRATORS FOUND GUILTY.

CONCLUSION OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY KEARNEY'S ARGUMENT — JUDGE NIXON'S CHARGE TO THE JURY—THE DEFENDANTS FOUND GUILTY AND BRADFORD RECOMMENDED TO THE MERCY OF THE COURT.

TRENTON, N. J., March 10.—The United States Court room to-day was filled to its utmost capacity with spectators, among whom were Attorney-General Stockton, Cortlandt Parker, and several prominent lawyers and clergymen and many ladies. The prisoners—Parks, Sacia, Allison, Beasford, and Bradford—arrived from the jail about 10 o'clock, and all of them appeared to be more concerned and anxious than on the previous days, particularly Dr. Parks, who was very pale and nervous.

District Attorney Keasbey resumed his argument, beginning with a review of the principal points of his argument of yesterday. When Parks closed his direct testimony, said Mr. Keasbey, his position seemed to be impregnable, and well might his counsel stand boldly before the court and say that he was willing to stand upon it, and say that they would place this man in the scales with that woman—that degraded, perjured wretch. But, when the cross-examination was through, he had condemned himself out of his own mouth. The letter of Parks to Col. Weston was stigmatized as an attempt to suborn that person to commit perjury in order to cover up the work in which Parks, according to Mrs. Lewis's statement, tempted and persuaded Mrs. Lewis to assume the part of the widow. He concluded by insisting that Parks was confessedly guilty, and that a verdict of guilty should be given against all the defendants.

Judge Nixon charged the jury, stating that the indictment was found under section 5,440 of the Revised Statues, which provides: "If two or more persons conspire either to commit any offense against the United States, or to defraud the United States in any manner or for any purpose, and one or more of such parties do any act to effect the object of the conspiracy, all the parties to such conspiracy shall be liable to a penalty of not less than $1,000, and not more than $10,000, and to imprisonment not more than two years." He defined the offense in accordance with the statute, saying that the conspiracy need not be successful and might fail short of the actual commission of the fraud. Merely combining or agreeing to commit a fraud was sufficient to constitute the offense, without any loss to the Government, if any one of the parties had taken a step toward its execution. The section was very sweeping in its terms, and was, doubtless, intended to meet the party to the fraud against the Government at the very threshold of the perpetration of his crime, and render him liable to its penalties before the consummation of the fraud. The indictment was found against nine defendants and five of them were now on trial. The jury was brought to the consideration of these questions: First, Has the Government proved the existence of such a conspiracy as is described in the indictment? Second, Were any of the alleged acts performed by one or more of the parties to give effect to the fraud? Third, If such a conspiracy existed, were any of the defendants members of it?

In considering the first question, he stated the legal definition of a conspiracy, and explained that the statutory offense under the laws of the United States was not complete until some act was done by one of the conspirators to carry into execution the fraud. All the text-books agreed that the evidence in proof of such conspiracy might be, and from the nature of the case, generally must be, circumstantial, as all concerted action to violate the law or commit a fraud was secret, and shown by separate and independent acts tending to exhibit a common design. The common design was the essence of the charge, and to prove it it was not necessary to prove that the parties came together and actually agreed, in terms, to have the common design and to pursue it by common means. The jury would be justified in inferring the existence of a conspiracy if the Government satisfied it that any two of the defendants aided by their acts to accomplish the same unlawful purpose, although they never met to concert the means, or to give effect to the common design. Nor was it necessary that the conspiracy should originate with the person charged. Every one in the conspiracy with a knowledge of its existence was regarded in law as an accomplice, and a party to all the acts done by any of the others, before or afterward, in furtherance of the common design. It would be safe, in determining the conspiracy, to reckon Mrs. Lewis as one of the parties. She had confessed, by her plea of guilty and in her testimony, that she was one, and the question was, did she stand alone, and if not, who were her associates? If there was one other, then there was a conspiracy. As to the weight that was to be given Mrs. Lewis's and Caldwell's testimony, the fact that they were co-conspirators operated, and ought to operate, largely against the credibility of their testimony, but the jury was not bound to reject it on that account. While it would be unsafe, in ordinary cases, to convict any one on such testimony uncorroborated, the rule of law was that they were competent witnesses, and it was the duty of the jury to consider their evidence. The jury was not to rely on it unsupported except it produced the fullest positive conviction of its truth. Judge Nixon referred to the corroborative testimony of Mrs. Eickhorn, the detective, Julien, ex-Judge Fullerton, Mr. Whitlock, O'Keefe and others, and said if the Government had failed to convince the jury, the defendants, or any of them, were entitled to a verdict of acquittal.

As to the second point, that if there was a conspiracy, was any act done to give effect to the fraud, Judge Nixon said that if none of the acts charged were done, the indictment could not be sustained. But if any one act was done by one of the conspirators, every conspirator was chargeable, in law, with doing it, and was responsible for it and all the consequences. As to the third and last point, it was for the jury to determine how far the testimony went to satisfy it of the connection of the several defendants with the conspiracy. The Judge suggested that it should take up the cases of each of the defendants separately and apply the testimony—to look at the circumstances, surroundings and motives. He referred to the testimony bearing upon the connection of Dr. Parks and Mrs. Lewis together, and if the jury was not satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt, it should acquit. It should not be deterred by considerations of sympathy or mercy from finding a verdict of guilty. Its duty was to decide according to the evidence without regard to consequences. He then briefly referred to the evidence against Sacia, Bradford, Allison, and Beasford. As to the point raised by ex-Judge Hoffman, that the indictment was bad, the will not being admitted to probate, he charged that the United States had an interest in the will, and, therefore, the conspiracy to thwart its provisions was to defraud the Government of that interest.

The jury retired at 1:25 P. M., and after about two hours' deliberation returned with a verdict of guilty against all the defendants, and recommending Bradford to the mercy of the court.

TOO HEAVY TO CARRY AWAY.

OVER $120,000 IN GOLD BULLION STOLEN IN SIDNEY, NEB.—ALL BUT $13,000 RECOVERED.

CHEYENNE, Wyoming, March 10.—A bold and successful robbery of gold bullion occurred at Sidney, Neb., to-day while the Union Pacific express agent, Snyder, was at dinner, the amount taken being variously estimated at $120,000 to $200,000. An entrance was effected through the floor of the express office, the robbery having evidently been planned in advance of the arrival of the treasure coach from the Black Hills. The bullion had just been transferred by Luke Voorhees, Superintendent of the stage line, to the express agent, and consisted of bricks and bars from different mills in Lead City and Deadwood Gulch. Robert Law, Superintendent of the Mountain Division of the Union Pacific Railway, accompanied by Jeff Carr, of the Rocky Mountain Detective Association, started from here on an engine at 3:30 P. M. to direct the pursuit of the robbers, who are reported to have gone in a northerly direction, well mounted.

A telegram from Sidney, just received, states that the treasure has been recovered, except $13,000. It was found under a pile of coal near the Union Pacific track, where a trackman had seen the robbers conceal something in the afternoon. One of the missing bricks, valued at $8,000, is from the Esmeralda Mine, Black-tail Gulch, near Deadwood, and was partly owned by Mr. Hibbard, of Cheyenne, and the Black Hills Telegraph Company. Of the remainder, $2,000 is in an express package.

The bullion was taken from a crack in the express office, which adjoins the telegraph office. The hole made in the door of the office must have been made by experts, as no unusual noise was heard by the operator, who was in the adjoining room during the absence of the express agent. The immense weight of the treasure, 480 pounds avoirdupois, prevented the robbers from carrying it off, and they were compelled to conceal it at the first available spot—the coal pile.

REPORTS OF VARIOUS OFFENSES.

CRIMES MADE KNOWN YESTERDAY—PROCEEDINGS IN CRIMINAL CASES.

LACKAWAXEN, Penn., March 10.—Stephen E. Gaylow, about 40 years old, was assaulted and brutally beaten by two men names James O'Donnell and Charles Homa, at the depot in this place, last Sunday night. Gaylow resides in Scott Township, Wayne County, Penn., and was on his way home from Washington, D. C., where he had been to receive pension money due him. The assault was made while Gaylow was waiting to take a train for Honesdale, Penn. The ruffians knew he had been to Washington, and, doubtless, expected to obtain the money which they believed he had in his possession. Warrants have been issued for the arrest of the accusers, and officers are in pursuit of them.

NEW-ORLEANS, March 10.—D. Fletcher, pastor, and William Ray, master of the American brig Mariposa, were charged before Commissioner Quintero to-day with having willfully wrecked their vessel on Chandeleur Island, on Feb. 17, for the purpose of securing the insurance thereon. The accused men were placed under $2,500 bonds each to await trial.

Milton Benner, Cashier of the late Citizens' Savings Bank, who was indicted last November charged with the embezzlement of $2,900 of the deposits of the bank, has been on trial here since Monday. After hearing the testimony District Attorney Finney to-day commenced the prosecution. Benner is still under indictment charged with willful concealment of facts.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., March 10.—Special Agent W. T. Henderson to-day arrested Postmaster W. O. Bigelow, charging him with irregularities in the discharge of his official duties. He will be taken to Baltimore this afternoon. He has much property here, and has many friends. He came here during the war, being an officer in the Federal Army. He married here, and has a large family. The office was turned over to the bondsmen of Major Bigelow, who in turn have put the office in care of Grafton Munroe, Assistant Postmaster.

BALTIMORE, March 10.—Detective Henderson, of the Post Office Department, brought to this city, this evening, Major W. O. Bigelow, Postmaster at Annapolis, charged with having hypothecated in New-York postage stamps to the amount of about $4,800 belonging to the United States. There is no chance of having robbed the Post-Office of that city against him. He is held in charge of the detective to-night and will have a hearing to-morrow before Commissioner Bonsers.

FADUCAH, Ky., March 10.—Henry Simons, a farmer, living in this county, yesterday shot and killed Alf. Hudson, who had just returned from the penitentiary, having been pardoned by Gov. Blackburn, after serving three years of a 15-year sentence for incest. The difficulty arose about a land title.

IRONTON, Ohio, March 10.—Last Monday Solomon Gibson, a lad 8 years old, was found dead on the public road in the back part of the county. Three weeks were found near his body, with some of his hair clinging to them. No one has yet been found as to the perpetrators of the deed.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 10.—Alfred Herts, the forger and defaulter, who was brought back from New-York last Monday morning, pleaded guilty to the charge of embezzlement in the Circuit Court at Independence this morning, and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. He thus carried out his expressed determination to cut through his troubles as soon as possible. He will be taken to the penitentiary to-morrow. The young lady to whom he was engaged to be married is still confined to her bed by grief and mortification.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

ARRIVAL OF THE PIONEER BAND IN THIS COUNTRY—THEIR PECULIARITIES.

The Australia, which arrived from London yesterday, landed 27 steerage passengers at Castle Garden, among them seven women and one man, constituting the advance guard of "The Salvation Army," an organization of lay exhorters founded in England fourteen years ago by William Booth, a Dissenting clergyman, and now numbering over 100,000 persons. They created quite a sensation in the Garden and subsequently in the streets as they proceeded to the lodging-house that had been provided for them. They were all attired in a uniform of dark blue cloth, edged with bright yellow binding, and around their hats were broad bands of scarlet ribbon, inscribed with the words, "The Salvation Army," in large gilt letters. One of the women, who holds the rank of Captain, the other six being Lieutenants, carried a flag of blue and red, staff, with a large yellow sun in the centre and bearing the title of the association. The male member of the band, whose name is George Railton, is known as a Commissioner, and will have charge of the future organization in the United States. He said that the "army" owed its foundation to a visit made by Mr. Booth to London in 1865. He was struck with the vast number of persons there who never attend divine service and resolved to devote himself to remedying the evil. Gathering around him a band of earnest Christians, he commenced a series of open-air meetings, and thus formed the nucleus of what was at first known as the Christian Mission. In 1878 the title of "The Salvation Army" was adopted as being less calculated to repel the persons whom it was designed to gather, and who do not like to be spoken of as needing mission work. In September last, according to a circular furnished by Mr. Railton, there were in England 122 corps, under the command of 195 officers, using for services weekly 143 theatres, music halls, warehouses, and other buildings, holding at the annual rate of 45,000 open-air services and 60,000 meetings in-door, and addressing 74,000 persons in-door every Sunday evening and to 2,000,000 in the streets every week. Through its instrumentality 257 persons have become wholly employed in religious work, and 3,226 others held ready to speak or labor in the same whenever called upon. The "army" is said to be approved by 23 Mayors and magistrates, 17 Superintendents of Police, and 120 clergymen. Its funds are raised mainly by collections taken at the services. Last year receipts were taken at this way at $13,000, while general fund only amounted to £4,540. Mr. Railton says that he and his colleagues will depend on what they can collect. Their passage was paid to this country by the home association, and this they are expected to refund. They will endeavor to secure a fleet to the Salvation Army, during the Summer. Mr. Railton said that he had written ahead to Mr. James Gordon Bennett to get out some posters for him, and he was then about to call upon that gentleman in regard to them. He was much put out when informed that Mr. Bennett is in India. They will also present in this City letters from Gen. Booth, which will introduce them. The band gave a service of song in the Garden yesterday. It was noticeable that some of their hymns were set to American tunes, such as "Way down on the Suwanee River" and "Old Kentucky Home." They are all fresh, strong-looking young Germans of about 30 years of age. A gentleman who was formerly a member of the army in England, and who emigrated to Philadelphia, started an organization on a similar principle in that city some time ago, but this is the first genuine delegation that has come to this country. They intend to spread themselves throughout the principal cities of the Union. Mr. Railton explained that the colors of the flag—red and blue—signify the blood and purity of Christ, and he was extremely anxious to have the fact published that the yellow had nothing to do with Orangeism.

A DUTCH INHERITANCE.

AND THE TROUBLE IT IS CAUSING TO THE VAN DEN ENDE FAMILY.

The Commissioners of Emigration recently received a communication from the Consul-General of the Netherlands, asking their assistance in complying with a request called by Mr. Van Lynden van Sandenburg, Minister of Foreign Affairs at The Hague, to detain two children, described as having been stolen by their stepfather, Carolus Van Den Ende, and supposed to be passengers on the steamer Rotterdam, which sailed from Rotterdam on the 21st ult. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children was notified, and they detailed Detective Lundbom to look after the case. The Rotterdam arrived yesterday, and Van Den Ende and the children, who gave their names as Annie and John Kingma, aged respectively 12 and 9 years, were arrested. During the afternoon the Commissioners held an examination and elicited the following story: The father of the children, whose name was Johannes Kingma, resided for many years at Three Oaks, Mich., where they were both born. He died six years ago. A year later, their mother, whose maiden name was Sanktye Poortenya, married Van Den Ende, who was then 25 to Thrass Oakes, 37 years of age, the age of 12. His parents and eight brothers and sisters, all farming people, still reside there. About a year ago the grand uncle of the children died in Holland and left them 35,000 guilders, ($14,000.) Meaning Mrs. Van Den Ende to borrow two other children, aged now respectively 4 and 2 years, and on the Fourth of July last the entire family set sail for Holland. Van Den Ende says to draw the money and purchase a farm there. The Government had appointed two Trustees over the inheritance and they refused to hand the money over. They offered to pay for the board and education of the children, but this was not satisfactory to Van Den Ende. Being unable to get along over there, he says he determined to return. He acknowledges that he was starved by the Trustees not paying back the two older children with him, and that he stole on board the Rotterdam with them at midnight, taking no baggage and very little clothing along, but he asserts that his action was approved by their mother, and that she had to follow with the two younger children as soon as she can dispose of their household effects. He said he intended to proceed to Chicago, where he has a brother-in-law residing at Madison and Lasalle streets. The children, who are fat and hearty youngsters, corroborate their step-father's statement, and say that they do not wish to leave him. The officers of the Rotterdam testify that Van Den Ende treated them with uniform kindness on the voyage out. The little ones were very much terrified yesterday over their arrest. They were placed in charge of Matron Webb, at Police Head-quarters, to remain there until more can be learned about the case from Holland. It is deemed possible that the court may be a clause in the grandfather's will providing that, in case of their death the money shall go to their mother. If this be so, it would be an easy thing for the step-father to lose them, or place them in some institution here, and then return and claim that they had died. Their names were not on the passenger list of the Rotterdam.

BISMARCK IN A BLOCKADE.

BISMARCK, Dakota Territory, March 10.—From Feb. 10 to March 9, no mail was received at this city, except a few letters by way of Deadwood and Omaha. A team left this city on Friday last for the mail on the blockaded train 80 miles east, and brought in 20 passengers and two tons of letter mail. Three tons of papers were left at the train and are expected this week. The snow has drifted very badly, and is still on the track. One hundred and twelve men are working 20 miles eastward, and can gain about two miles a day. Energetic work was delayed too long. Provisions are running short; there is no flour in the city, and provisions are being shipped by the Government from Fort Lincoln.

TRYING TO RETAIN THOMAS.

CINCINNATI, March 10.—At a meeting of the Directors of the Musical Festival Association this afternoon, the resignation of George Wood Nichols, President, was accepted; also those of

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—MARCH 10.

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:30 A. M.

U. S. 4½ Q. Cp. $100,000 ..... 107⅝ | U. S. 4s Cp. 1907. $100,000 ..... 107⅛ | $10,000 ..... 106⅛ | U. S. 4s R. 1907. 1,100 ..... 106⅛

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—1 P. M.

U. S. 4s Cp. 1907. $50,000 ..... 107⅛ | U. S. 5s R. Cp. $50,000 ..... 104⅛ | $10,000 bnk. 104⅛

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—2:30 P. M.

U. S. 4½ Q. Cp. $5,000 ..... 107⅛ | U. S. 4s R. $5,000 ..... 106⅛

Alabama, class A		L. S. & W. St.		Kansas & Texas	
$10,000	28	1000	70⅛	100	44⅞
Ala. consol. 5's.		200	70⅛	200	44⅞
4,000	49⅞	300	70⅛	200	44⅞
Ches. & O. R.		300	70⅛	200	44⅞
20,000	39⅞	400	70⅛	200	44⅞
Del. Lack. & Wn.		100	70⅛	200	44⅞
1,000	103	100	70⅛	300	44⅞
N. Y. L. E. & W.		Lake Shore.		300	44⅞
new 2d Sc.		300	109⅝	100	44⅞
5,000	38⅞	300	109⅝	100	44⅞
5,000	38	300	109⅝	300	44⅞
N. Y. L. E. & W.		1,000	109⅝	100	44⅞
new 2d consol.		200	109⅝	1900	44⅞
1,000	37⅞	100	109⅝	100	44⅞
10,000	37⅞	100	109⅝	500	44⅞
Mo. K. & T. con. sh.		1100	109⅝	300	44⅞
20,000	103⅞	400	109⅝	700	44⅞
Lake S. & M. Lin.		200	109⅝	Manhattan.	
1,000	100	Union Pacific.		300	50⅞
C. C. & I. C. 1st.		50	92⅞	200	50⅞
E. Co. con. sc. sup.		100	sh. 92⅞	100	50⅞
1,000	88⅞	200	92⅞	100	50⅞
C. C. & I. C. gen.		200	92⅞	100	50⅞
10,000	58	100	92⅞	200	50⅞
C. C. & I. C. 1st. sec.		100	92⅞	50	50⅞
10,000	59⅞	200	92⅞	500	51⅞
C. C. & I. C. cur. int.		Central of N. J.		1200	51⅞
2,000	59⅞	100	88⅞	900	51⅞
C. C. C. & I. 1st.		300	88⅞	300	51⅞
1,000	119	1200	88	900	51⅞
C. R. I. & P. Con.		200	88⅞	300	51⅞
Mob. & O. 1st ch.		300	88	100	51⅞
17,000	75	200	87⅞	100	51
5,000	75⅛	200	87⅞	300	50⅞
St. L. A. & T. 2d pf.		300	87⅞	600	50⅞
1,000	38	100	87⅞	300	50⅞
St. L. & I. M. 1st pf.		100	87⅞	900	50
10,000	91	400	87	N. Y. N. H. & H.	
Adams Express.		Michigan Central.		100	197
10	113	200	93	Metropolitan.	
United States Ex.		200	92⅞	100	118⅛
100	89	1600	92⅞	Pacific Mail.	
Central Coal.		200	92	300	125⅞
100	34	100	93⅞	Northern Pacific.	
Quicksilver.		300	93⅞	500	38
500	21⅛	300	93⅞	100	38
Den. & Rio Grande.		200	92⅞	Northern Pac. pf.	
100	34	400	92⅞	600	55
200	34	300	92⅞	Nash. C. & St. L.	
100	34	100	92⅞	100	112⅞
Little Pittsburg.		100	sh. 92	100	92⅞
100	10	200	92⅞	400	sh. 113⅛
200	10⅛	North-western.		400	sh. 113
100	10	100	93⅞	200	112
100	10⅛	100	93⅞	100	111
La Plata Mining.		500	93⅞	200	111
500	9⅛	200	93⅞	100	111
Homestead Mining.		300	93⅞	N. Y., Ont. & West.	
100	18	200	93⅞	100	28⅞
Standard Mining.		300	sh. 93	100	28⅞
200	29⅞	400	92⅞	400	28⅞
500	29⅞	100	92⅞	1100	28⅞
Sutro Tunnel.		100	92⅞	100	28⅞
500	3⅞	Central Pacific.		St. L. & San. Fran.	
500	3⅞	100	81⅞	100	44⅞
Quicksilver pf.		100	81⅞	100	44⅞
200	70	100	81⅞	St. L. & S. F. 1st pf.	
200	71	100	81⅞	100	82
200	71⅛	100	81⅞	Phila. & Reading.	
New Central Coal.		100	81⅞	300	24⅞
200	32	200	81⅞	100	24
Del. & Hudson.		100	81⅞	300	24⅞
900	84⅞	200	81⅞	600	24⅞
100	84⅞	200	81⅞	200	24⅞
100	84⅞	200	81⅞	200	24⅞
300	84	100	80⅞	Rome & Watertown.	
100	84⅞	100	sh. 81	200	32
200	84⅞	St. Paul pf.		St. L. & I. M. con.	
100	84⅞	100	103⅞	500	21⅞
100	84⅞	Chic. St. P. & Min.		500	21⅞
100	84	100	55⅞	100	61⅞
100	84	100	sh. 55	100	61⅞
500	84	300	55⅞	100	61⅞
Atlantic & Pacific.		300	55⅞	500	61⅞
100	sh. 46⅞	300	55	100	61⅞
100	46⅞	Chic. St. L. & Pac.		100	61⅞
100	46⅞	200	45⅞	100	60⅞
200	46⅞	300	45⅞	200	61⅞
100	46⅞	100	45⅞	100	61⅞
100	46⅞	100	45	500	61⅞
200	46	100	44⅞	50	61⅞
Western Union.		100	44⅞	200	60⅞
110	111⅞	100	44⅞	100	60⅞
200	111⅞	50	44⅞	600	60⅞
150	111⅞	100	44⅞	200	60⅞
700	111⅞	200	44⅞	200	60⅞
100	110⅞	200	44⅞	Wab., St. L. & P.	
100	111⅞	200	44⅞	100	60⅞
100	111⅞	1000	44⅞	100	60⅞
100	sh. 111⅞	300	44⅞	Ontario & Mich.	
100	111⅞	100	44⅞	100	60⅞
100	111⅞	300	44⅞	200	60⅞
100	111⅞	200	44⅞	200	60⅞
100	111⅞	100	44⅞	Chicago & Mac.	
100	111⅞	100	44⅞	100	75
100	111⅞	100	44⅞	Green Mountain.	
300	111	100	44⅞	130	8.15
500	111⅞	100	44⅞	Pacific Express.	
100	111⅞	100	44⅞	100	50
N. Y. L. E. & West.		100	44⅞	500	50
Pac. Mail.		100	44⅞	500	50
100	125⅞	100	44⅞	500	50
100	125⅞	100	44⅞	Wells, Fargo & Co.	
100	125⅞	100	44⅞	100	89

FINANCIAL.

ISSUE OF $10,000,000 SIX PER CENT. FIRST MORTGAGE RAILROAD AND LAND GOLD BONDS OF THE

Southern Pacific Railroad Co. OF CALIFORNIA,

IN BONDS TO BEARER OF $1,000 AND $500 EACH, WITH PROVISION FOR REGISTRATION OF BONDS IN THE NAME OF THE HOLDER IF DESIRED. ISSUED APRIL 1, 1875; OCTOBER 1, 1875, AND OCTOBER 1, 1876, AND PAYABLE THIRTY YEARS FROM DATE.

Interest at six per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly on the 1st April and 1st October, in gold, at New-York.

Messrs. SPEYER & CO., New-York,
Messrs. BREWSTER, BASSET & CO., Boston,
Mr. LAZ. SPEYER ELLISSEN, Frankfort-on-Main,
Messrs. SPEYER BROTHERS, London,
Messrs. TEIXEIRA DE MATTOS BROS. Amsterdam,
Mr. E. J. MEYER, Berlin,

OFFER THE ABOVE BONDS FOR SUBSCRIPTION.

The subscription list will be opened on Thursday, March 11, and closed on Friday, March 12.

The issue price is 97 1-2 per cent. at April 1, 1880, coupon, payable as follows:

5 per cent. on application.
15 per cent. on allotment.
40 per cent. on April 15, 1880.
37½ per cent. on May 15, 1880.

Allotees may anticipate installments under discount at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

These bonds are secured by a first mortgage on the railroad and telegraph line, rolling stock, fixtures, land, and franchises of the Southern Pacific Railroad of California, under which $46,000,000 Bonds can be issued, of which $20,000,000 (of which the above $10,000,000 are a part) have thus far been issued. The total length of projected road is 1,150 miles, made up as follows: From San Francisco to Soledad, 143 miles; Carnadero to Tres Pinos, 18 miles; Soledad to Poso Junction, (Lenta,) 150 miles; Huron to Tuna, 529 miles; Los Angeles to Wilmington, 22 miles; Mohave Junction to Colorado River, (estimated,) 278 miles; of which 712 miles are completed and in operation, viz.: From San Francisco to Soledad, 143 miles; Carnadero to Tres Pinos, 18 miles; Huron to Tuna, 529 miles; Los Angeles to Wilmington, 22 miles.

The 712 miles of railroad are divided into the Northern and Southern Divisions.

The Northern Division runs from San Francisco to Soledad, and from Carnadero to Tres Pinos, in all 161 miles.

The Southern Division extends from Huron to Tuna, with a branch road from Los Angeles to Wilmington, in all 551 miles, and is intersected at Goshen by the San Joaquin Branch of the Central Pacific Railroad.

The net earnings over operating expenses for these divisions are stated by the company to have been

	For the Southern Division.	For the Northern Division through Boston via Central Pacific R. R. Company.	
	Gross.	Gross. Less.	Total.
1878	$499,344 03	$1,656,360 00	$2,155,704 03
1879	362,761 73	1,635,584 98	1,998,346 71

—or more than sufficient to meet the interest on the amount of bonds issued.

The company states that the decrease in the earnings of the Northern Division in 1879 was owing in part to temporary causes, which having been recently removed, a return to the former scale of earnings is promised.

The Northern Division is separated from the Southern Division by a gap of about 100 miles by one route, from Tres Pinos to Huron, and by a gap of about 160 miles by another route, from Soledad to Poso Junction. The San Joaquin Valley Branch of the Central Pacific Railroad furnishes the Southern Division with an outlet both to San Francisco and eastwardly over the main line of the Central Pacific Railroad, and, in view of common interests, the Central Pacific Railroad Company has taken a lease of the Southern Division of the Southern Pacific Railroad of California, for a period of not less than five years from January, 1880, and by the terms of the lease "if a railroad is not completed in five years from that date, so that there is a connection of the Southern Pacific Railroad of California with the Eastern system of railroads on what is known as the 32d parallel line, the lease shall be extended until such connection is made, provided such extension does not exceed five years longer, or 10 years in all," from January, 1880. By the terms of the lease, "the net rental agreed to be paid during the continuance of this lease and any extension thereof shall be $250 a month, or $3,000 a year per mile," (being at present, on about 551 miles, equals about $1,650,000 annual rental,) "and if, for any reason, it shall be reduced by the terms of any rental contract of the parties that the annual amount of such rental as reduced shall, at least, be sufficient to pay all the interest that has been, or may be agreed to be, paid in any one year on any bonds of the party of the first part" (Southern Pacific Railroad Company of California,) "herein outstanding during the continuance of the lease."

The number of acres of land embraced in the United States land grant and covered by the mortgage is estimated at upward of 11,000,000 acres, of which, it is stated by the company, over 7,000,000 acres appertain to portions of the road already completed. Of these there have been leased to the company patents for more than one million acres, and lists for selected lands are now pending with the United States Government for a large amount. The net cash avails of the land sales are to be applied to the repurchase or ultimate payment of these bonds; $324,000 are stated by the company to have been redeemed up to Dec. 31, 1879, from the surplus so available.

A sinking fund of $100,000 a year, commencing in 1882, from the earnings of the road, is provided as a further security for the loan.

It is contemplated that the Southern Pacific Railroad of California will form part of a through line to El Paso, Texas, meeting with other roads projected to that point, an outlet to the Gulf of Mexico and to the Atlantic seaboard may be obtained. At its terminus at Yuma it connects with the Southern Pacific Railroad of Arizona, an independent but closely affiliated company, which during the past year was built and operated to Casa Grande, a distance of about 182½ miles, and is since being rapidly pushed to the vicinity of Tucson, about 68 miles further east.

The allotment of the loan, which will be made at the discretion of the issuing houses, will be made as early as possible after the subscription is closed. If no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full, and if only a portion of the amount applied for be allotted, the balance of the deposit will be applied toward the payment of the amount due on allotment.

In default of payment of the sum due on allotment, or any subsequent installments, the allotments and all payments will be subject to forfeiture.

Upon payment of the deposit on allotment, Scrip Certificates to bearer will be issued, which will be exchanged for definite Bonds as soon as the issue price is paid up.

The Mortgage Deed, Copy of Lease, and Official Statements can be inspected, by intending subscribers, at the office of Speyer & Co., No. 42 Exchange-place, New-York, of Messrs. Brewster, Bassett & Co., No. 35 Congress-st., Boston.

MARCH 6, 1880.

TO INVESTORS.

A Leased Property of the Utah and Pleasant Valley Railroad Company.

First Mortgage 7 per cent. Gold Bonds having been issued at the rate of interest to 60 and interest.

We can, from personal knowledge, fully recommend these bonds to investors.

H. P. DE GRAAF, President Bowery National Bank.

SHELDON & WADSWORTH, NO. 16 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK.

WANTED.

Charleston, Columbia and Augusta R. R. Bonds and Stock.
First Trust, Virginia, and Georgia R. R. Stock.
Wilmington and Weldon R. R. Stock.

We make a specialty of paying and selling Southern securities at all times. Inquiries cheerfully answered.

FRICK & LEWIS, 57 Broad-st., Baltimore, Md.

References—John A. Welch, First Nat. Bank, and Robert Hinks, Cashier of N. Union Bank of Md., Baltimore.

FINANCIAL.

THE TEHUANTEPEC INTER-OCEAN Railroad Company offer for sale FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS of their face value of unbidding and convertible debentures, issued by Edward Learned and associate Trustees.

These certificates entitle the holders to participate in all dividends or distributions of money or assets which shall be made or declared by the Railroad Company, and in addition thereto to be paid interest for 15 years, at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum by the Railroad Company, according to semi-annual coupons attached.

Holders are furthermore entitled, at their option, prior to Jan. 1, 1882, to convert these certificates into the 6th, 7th, or 8th per cent. first mortgage bonds of the Railroad Company.

Edward Learned and associate Trustees, who are the owners of the entire capital stock of the company, have invested and advanced to the railroad company $4,000,000 at the face value of such certificates, being the entire issue thereof, which, with $14,000,000 at face value of unpredeemed certificates reserved by them, constitutes the basis of participation ($20,000,000) of parties in interest in the capital stock of the railroad company or entire enterprise.

It is proposed to sell the above $500,000 certificates in blocks of $25,000 each at par, and Edward Learned and associate Trustees have offered, and will transfer to purchasers thereof, "one part" of the six hundred and twenty-first interest in their association and in the securities to secure therefrom. And to purchasers of the fifth of one block, viz., $5,000, a proportionate portion of each one part.

It is reasonably certain that the $200,000 already advanced—for which $200,000 such preferred certificates have been given—together with the $500,000 to be received from the above offering, and the subsidy in money received from the Mexican government ($12,000 per mile) will be amply sufficient to enable the company to build 50 miles (1-3) of its road, and also the harbor improvements at the eastern terminus within the next 12 months, and that thereby a value will be established which will secure favorable negotiations for all further moneys required for the completion of the entire road, harbors and appurtenances.

Information as to the line of the road, estimated cost of its construction, including equipment and harbor improvements, harbors, and its relations to existing or proposed lines of traffic and transit—ship, rail, or mule—will be furnished on application at the office of the company, No. 52 Broadway, New-York.

EDWARD LEARNED, President.

NEW-YORK, March 4, 1880.

FIRST MORTGAGE 10 PER CENT. BONDS of the Moose Mining Company.

The Directors of the Moose Mining Company offer to their stockholders for subscription $50,000 of the bonds of said company, redeemable at the pleasure of the company, and payable in five years, with interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, in the City of New-York.

These bonds will be secured by a mortgage of all the mining estate and other property of the Moose Mining Company.

By resolution of the Board of Trustees these bonds are now offered to the stockholders of the company only in the proportion of $25 of the bonds for every 100 shares of stock held.

Stockholders are entitled to subscribe for the bonds in this proportion for fifteen (15) days from date. All bonds not taken by the stockholders will be offered to the general public.

Dated at the office of the Moose Mining Company, No. 57 Broadway, New-York, March 8, 1880.

D. R. ALLEN, President.
HARRY ALLEN, Secretary.

Applications for the bonds, accompanied with a remittance of the amount to which the stockholders are entitled, may be made directly to the company or to the financial agents of the company

ALLEN & STEAD, No. 62 Broadway, New-York.

St. Louis, Hannibal & Keokuk R. R. Co.

First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. Bonds,

DUE 1917.

Issued at $12,000 per mile of completed road; $10,000 cash per mile already paid in on stock subscriptions and expended in construction.

Principal and interest payable in New-York, coupons April and October.

We offer a balance of $400,000 of these bonds at 95 and interest, reserving the right to advance price without notice, and recommend them as a safe investment.

J. W. AMERMAN & CO., Bankers, (Successors to Amerman & Burwell.) NO. 16 BROAD-ST., NEW-YORK.

ROCHESTER & STATE LINE RY. FIRSTS.

St. Paul and Sioux City Land Grants.
Sioux City and Pacific 1sts and Com. Stock.
Chicago and South-western Ry. 1sts Guar.
Columbus, Springfield and Cincinnati 7s.
Wisconsin Central, Series A and B.
South. Minnesota Constr. 1sts.
1st. and Great North. Bond and Stock Scrip.
Evansville, Terre Haute and Chic. 1sts.
Missouri Pacific 5ds.
New-Jersey Southern 1sts.
Macoupin Co., Ill., New Bonds.
Manhattan Beach Ry. Stock and 2nds.

CHAS. T. WING, corner Wall-st. and Broadway, (With A. M. Kidder & Co., Bankers.)

OFFICE OF

SIR RODERICK DHU GOLD MINING CO.,

No. 30 BROAD-ST.,

CAPITAL, $2,000,000
P. O. Box No. 2,646. NEW-YORK, March 3, 1880.

Books of subscription will be opened at the office of the company on MONDAY, March 8, for the remainder of the unsold stock of the SIR RODERICK DHU GOLD MINING COMPANY at $2 per share—par value, $10. The proceeds of the sale to be devoted to the erection of

A HUNDRED-STAMP MILL,

and to thoroughly develop the property; it will be ample for that purpose.

Payment may be made 20 per cent. on subscription, and 20 per cent. each month thereafter until all is paid.

Subscribers, however, have the right to pay in full at any time and receive their certificates.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

JOHN McGINNIS, Jr., President.

WOOD & DAVIS,

BANKERS AND BROKERS,
NO. 31 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.

Government bonds, municipal and railroad securities bought and sold on commission.

A limited amount of
Atchison, Colorado and Pacific Railroad Co.
First mortgage 6 per cent. bonds, guaranteed, principal and interest, by Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad, and lease assumed by Union Pacific Railway Company, for sale.

C. D. WOOD. SAMUEL D. DAVIS.

PARTIES DESIROUS OF DEALING IN

STOCKS,

Should write to or call on the old Banking-house of

HOWES & COMPANY,
No. 11 Wall-st., New-York,
(Formerly HOWES & MACY.)

This house transacts a general Stock Commission business, with very large experience.

Interest allowed on deposits at 4 per cent. payable on demand.

R. M. RAVEN & CO.,

Members of New-York Stock and Mining Exchange.
BANKERS AND BROKERS,
POST OFFICE BOX NO. 268. NO. 16 WALL-ST.

Buy and sell all securities dealt in at the Exchanges, strictly on Commission, for Cash, or on Margin. Our office, adjoining the Stock Exchange, enables us to execute orders with dispatch. Mr. Raven attends personally in the Exchange. Interest allowed on deposits. Correspondence solicited.

OPEN BOARD OF STOCK BROKERS.

Having purchased the property No. 42 Broad-st., extending through the block to and including No. 20 New-st., where, after the 1st of May next, the business of this stock Exchange will be conducted, the Governing Committee have resolved to offer for sale a limited number of memberships.

Applications for membership may be made either personally or by letter to the undersigned from 11 A. M. to 3 P. M., Old Post Office Building, Nassau-st., New-York. By order of the Governing Committee,

GEO. W. McLEAN, President.

MARCH 6, 1880.

FOR SALE.

THE CONTROLLING INTEREST OF THE BOSTON MUSIC HALL,

Namely, 565 shares, the whole capital stock being 1,000 shares. The estate consists of upward of 18,000 square feet in the very heart of the city. The main hall seats 2,500 people, and is celebrated for its excellent acoustic properties. Besides the main hall building is included a smaller building, which will command a large rent. The whole is in perfect repair. For terms &c., address

JAS. T. ELDRIDGE & CO., No. 37 State-st.

CALIFORNIA AND CONSOLIDATED VIRGINIA.—An informal meeting of shareholders in these companies will be held at No. 52 Broadway, Room No. 49, on THURSDAY afternoon, March 11, at 3 o'clock, to take into consideration measures which may be suggested for the protection of their interests.

A—ATLANTIC & PACIFIC M. R. STOCK

Newport Mining.
N. Y. & Oswego Midland Stock and Bonds.
Missouri Pacific Stock.
N. Y. & Oswego Midland Stock.
Wanted by EDW. C. FOX & CO., 2 Wall-st.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 59 WALL-ST.

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS, AVAILABLE IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

ALL STOCKHOLDERS OF GERMANIA Life Insurance Company will call at No. 191 Broadway, JOHN FONDIS, No. 10 Broad-st., stockholders bring stock.

GWYNNE & DAY, 45 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK (established in 1854,) transact a general banking and brokerage business in railway shares, bonds, &c. &c.

IRON RAILS.

CLARK, POST & MARTIN,
NO. 54 PINE-ST.,
Importers
OF
Steel and Iron Rails,
Old Rails, Wrought Scrap,
Spiegel and Bessemer Pig Iron.

E. W. CLARK & CO., Philadelphia.
R. A. V. POST.
A. M. MARTIN.

SAVINGS BANKS.

CLAIREMONT SAVINGS BANK.—THE CREDITORS of the Clairmont Savings Bank, of the City of New-York, are hereby notified to present their claims with the proper vouchers thereof, for audit, to the subscriber, the duly-appointed Receiver of said bank, before TUESDAY, April 13, 1880, at his office, No. 46 Pine-st., New-York City. Office hours 10:30 A. M. to 2:30 P. M.

CLARK BROOKS, Receiver, &c.

WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.

CASH.—DIAMONDS, WATCHES, JEWELRY, and Silverware, bought and sold here; at a small advance. GEO. C. ALLEN, No. 1,194 Broadway, near 29th-st.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

THE UP-TOWN OFFICE OF THE TIMES.

The up-town office of THE TIMES is located at No. 1,238 Broadway, south-east corner of 32d-st. Open daily, Sundays included, from 4 A. M. to 9 P. M. Subscriptions received, and copies of THE TIMES for sale.

ADVERTISEMENTS RECEIVED UNTIL 9 P. M.

CHAMBER-MAID.—BY A YOUNG WOMAN AS first-class chamber-maid and plain sewing; thoroughly understands her business; willing and obliging; two years' best City references. Can be seen at No. 305 East 50th-st., near 1st-av.

CHAMBER-MAID AND FINE WASHING.—By a competent young woman, to do chamber work and fine washing; best City references from last employer. Call at No. 126 West 19th-st., rear.

CHAMBER-MAID AND TO ASSIST WITH Washing and Ironing.—By a young woman in private family; no objection to the country; good City reference. Call at No. 119 West 41st-st.

CHAMBER-MAID AND WAITRESS OR Chamber-maid and Seamstress.—By a Swedish competent girl; best of City references. Call at No. 149 East 22d-st., for Bertha.

CHAMBER-MAID OR WAITRESS.—BY A respectable Protestant girl, or as good plain cook and assist with washing or ironing; good references from last place. Call at No. 119 West 40th-st.

CHAMBER-MAID.—BY A YOUNG WOMAN; will do fine washing, in a small family; no objection to the country; City references. Call at No. 312 7th-av., Room No. 2.

CHAMBER-MAID.—BY A COMPETENT PROTestant girl; willing and obliging; best City references. Call at No. 374 2d-av., second floor.

CHAMBER-MAID AND WAITRESS.—BY A young American girl as chamber-maid and waitress; neat sewer; City reference. Call at No. 350 West 42d-st.

COOK, WASHER, AND IRONER.—BY A respectable Protestant girl in a small private family; City references; no cards. Call at No. 404 1st-av., first floor, front.

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BUTLER, STILLMAN & HUBBARD, Attorneys for Applicant, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, Feb. 26, 1880.

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THE CASE OF JUDGE SINNOTT

OUTLINE OF THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM.

ON THE BENCH FREQUENTLY IN AN INTOXICATED CONDITION — TOO DRUNK TO TRANSACT BUSINESS—WHAT THE JUDGE SAYS IN HIS OWN DEFENSE.

The news that charges of drunkenness on the bench had been preferred against James F. Sinnott, one of the Justices of the Marine Court, and that the Bar Association was about to investigate them, caused a thrilled sensation in political and legal circles yesterday. For months past complaints have been frequent on the part of lawyers and litigants having business in the Marine Court that Judge Sinnott's conduct was not what it should be, but it was reserved for ex-Assistant Corporation Counsel Charles F. Miller to bring the matter officially to the notice of the Bar Association. This was done at the regular meeting on Tuesday night, the result being the reference of the entire matter to the Judiciary Committee, with instructions to sift the accusations against the Judge and report to a special meeting of the association two weeks hence. If the charges are borne out by the evidence the Association will send a committee to Albany and take steps to secure the Judge's impeachment. Those hating the matter in charge are decidedly in earnest, and say they have a mass of evidence to bear out their allegations which will force the second Justice to either resign or stand the penchment with a certain prospect of conviction. When Mr. Miller demanded an investigation at Tuesday evening's meeting, he had witnesses who were ready to sweat to two or three specific acts of drunkenness on the Judge's part. On the publication of the news in THE TIMES of yesterday, Mr. Miller was visited by eight additional witnesses, who were ready to testify not only to the acts already known and talked about, but to others of which the general public were in ignorance. Among the witnesses who are to be called to substantiate the charges are J. B. Leavitt, of No. 239 Broadway, H. H. Leavitt, Joseph P. Masterson, of No. 120 Broadway, James Brooks Dill, Edgh A. Houghton, of Miller & Houghton, shipping merchants, of South-street; C. B. Sprague, of No. 4 College-place, J. Tredwell Richards, of No. 9 Pine-street, and many others. Most of these gentlemen when questioned yesterday refused to give details, but from their statements and those of Mr. Miller and the gentlemen who have volunteered to assist the committee the following summary of the specific charges which will be submitted against the Judge was obtained:

It is charged that on a certain day toward the close of January Judge Sinnott kept a crowded court-room waiting in Part II. of the Marine Court for nearly an hour. A few minutes before 11 o'clock he entered in an intoxicated condition—his limbs trembled, his face was flushed, and he gave every outward sign of hard and prolonged drinking. On taking his seat he read the calendar for the day through in a thick, animal-like voice, jumbling the names together, sometimes reading them backward, and stopping to make incoherent and meaningless remarks to those about him. His condition was so apparent that it was noticed by every one in the court-room. Lawyers, who came to try cases, had them put over or adjourned, and others left the court-room in disgust. On another occasion, it is alleged, his Honor's condition was so evident, even 15 himself, that, after struggling for awhile with the docket, he adjourned court 15 minutes after opening it. In the February term, during which he sat in Chambers, the Judge's condition is said to have been such, it is alleged, that lawyers asserted he was drunk every day during the last four days of the term. On one occasion he is charged with replying to a remark of a young lawyer, who complained of being "shut off":

"Whaddy you mean? We don't shudder any one off ah here bunkt Grantsh!" (We don't shut any one off here but Grant.)

At another time, some lawyers applied to him to modify a certain order. He told them that "if they weren't satisfied with it, they could take it to the three mincompoopoos of the General Term." Some one having referred in the course of a motion to an exhaustive opinion of Chief-Justice Daly, of the Court of Common Pleas, Sinnott is said to have replied, "Of courch it was 'xhaustive. He always 'xhaushts himself." Another somewhat later he went to court one morning to argue a certain case. He had no sooner risen than the Judge called out somewhat huskerently, "Motion denied!" The lawyer, who had uttered half a dozen words as to the merits of his case, sat down, and after the lapse of about one hour the lawyer on the other side got up. The Judge instantaneously recognized him, and called out "Motion granted."

These are only a few of the instances which will be cited against the Justice, of which his opponents say they have overwhelming proof. Other witnesses are ready to swear that the Judge has signed his name to documents in a condition of intoxication so great that he could not see the paper on which he was writing, or hold the pen steadily with which he wrote. To a TIMES reporter yesterday Mr. Miller said: "I have no feeling, good or ill, against Judge Sinnott. I don't even know him, and never practiced in his court. But the matter has become such a public scandal, and misconduct toward clients and litigants has been so utterly inexcusable, that some one must take hold of it, and I, having been appointed to act on behalf of a number of Marine Court lawyers, have determined to do so. The complaints against Judge Sinnott have been accumulating for six months past, and the mass of evidence is so overwhelming that I do not think his friends will advise him to fight the case. It is just for such purposes as this that the Bar Association was formed, and if it did not take cognizance of such disgraceful conduct on the part of a Judge, it would not deserve to exist. The Judiciary Committee, before whom the testimony will be taken, are all gentlemen of the highest character and standing, and will give the Judge the benefit of everything that can be said in his behalf, but before the array of testimony we have got I do not see how they can hesitate."

"Is there any political significance in the move?"

"Not the slightest. Not a single politician on either side knew that I was going to broach the matter, and it would not have made any difference if they had. The association is acting simply in the interests of the Bar and of the public. I would just as readily have left the matter to older and more eminent lawyers, but I found them difficult to move, and so I had to take it up myself."

A gentleman who has not yet been summoned to appear before the committee, but who has more than most citizens felt the Judge's condition, said yesterday that if Sinnott was removed, the Marine Court lawyers ought to get the flags hoisted on the City Hall." The Judge's repeated offenses had, he said, alienated almost every member of the Bar with whom he came in contact while his negligence and disregard of duty, his habitual drunkenness, made it impossible for any one to practice before him with self-respect. Often he would delay the court out of pure caprice, and then adjourn hours before the time. It was almost impossible to find a Marine Court Judge (with the exception of Judge McAdam) at his post after 2 o'clock, although the legal length of the day's session was from 10 to 4.

The Judiciary Committee who will have cognizance of Judge Sinnott's case consists of Henry E. Davies, Henry M. Alexander, John E. Parsons, Charles A. Peabody, Louis L. Delafield, Benjamin F. Lee, Jr., David S. Ogden, Stephen A. Walker, and Arthur G. Sedgwick. They will meet in a day or two to agree upon the method of taking evidence, which, it is believed, will be similar to that pursued in Judge Barnard's case. Witnesses will be summoned separately before the committee, Judge Sinnott being allowed to be present, either in person or by counsel, and to cross-examine those appearing against him. In case the committee find it more convenient, they may take the testimony of each witness in writing, and then allow the Judge to put in his answer.

Judge Sinnott lives in the brown-stone house on the north-east corner of One Hundred and Twenty-third-street and Fifth-avenue. He was found by a TIMES reporter last night, wrapped in a thick overcoat buttoned tightly about the throat, with a fur cap pulled down over his ears. The Judge is a short man, fifty years of age, clean-shaven, with thin and upper lip, and a merry twinkle in the corner of his eye. He was educated at St. John's College, Fordham, for the Roman Catholic priesthood, but left it to enter Mr. Samuel J. Tilden's law office, remaining there until the death of the Judge said: "The whole thing is a conspiracy, as I can clearly prove. For the past six months I have been suffering from a complication of disorders—malaria, catarrh, and capillary bronchitis. My physical weakness while suffering from these disorders may have given my enemies a very slight substratum of apparent fact on which to base these charges, although I shall not urge that, or anything else, in extenuation. The accusation that I have ever appeared on the bench intoxicated, or in a condition approaching intoxication, is wholly false. I am no more guilty of these things than I am of incest or highway robbery.

"What are the motives of your prosecutors?"

"I have reason to believe that they want my place, and at the same time to throw discredit upon my friends friend, Mr. Tilden. He is a very dear friend of mine, and there are persons, as you know, who are quite ready to exercise any one for political purposes. I think that if you will examine into the motives of my detractors you will find that they are not so pure and irreproachable as they claim. At the proper time I shall present my defense, and I have no fear but that it will prove effectual."

"Is it true that you spoke of the Judges of the General Term as three mincompoops?"

The Judge paused and reflected a moment. Then he said: "I will not deny that I may have so designated (reflection of ever saying it), but, if I did, I spoke purely in jest and with no idea of it's ever reaching their ears. As to the charge of drunkenness, that I positively deny. I do not care how many witnesses they bring to say so."

Mr. Tilden appointed a Marine Court Judge in 1875, elected again to the place in 1876, and have tried to do my duty ever since. No one that I know of ever accused me of improperness or corruption, or unfairness of any kind. My dear Sir, these charges from beginning to end, are monstrous falsehoods. That is all I have to say about them."

The Judge intimated that whether his prosecutors succeeded or not, was not of particular importance to him financially. He was still associated with Mr. Tilden in certain legal matters which he hinted would afford him a living, whether he lost his place on the Bench or not. His salary is $10,000 a year, and his term has three years to run. There are a number of candidates for his place already.

HEAVY DEALINGS IN BREADSTUFFS.

The business in wheat yesterday was again of great proportions, the aggregated reported transactions being about 3,550,000 bushels, of which 520,000 bushels were for prompt delivery. Almost the whole of this was Winter. The market declined 1 to 2 cents a bushel during the day, closing strong at the highest point. Spot wheat was difficult to sell. Corn was dull, and closed somewhat weaker. Oats were moderately active and easier. Provisions were steadier. Freights were active and generally firm. The visible supply of grain shows a large decrease this week. In wheat there has been a loss of 820,000 bushels, and in corn of 660,000 bushels.

THE POLICE BOARD WAR.

RETURN TO MR. MACLEAN'S ALTERNATIVE WRIT OF MANDAMUS.

The return to the alternative writ of mandamus directed to Police Commissioners French and Wheeler and their principal subordinates, commanding them to recognize Charles F. MacLean as a Police Commissioner, instead of Sidney P. Nichols, was filed in the Court of Common Pleas yesterday. The counsel in the case—Messrs. Fullerton & Tracy for Mr. MacLean, and Messrs. Elihu Root and Willard Bartlett for the respondents—appeared before Judge Van Hoesen. Mr. Bartlett presented the return, and informed Judge Van Hoesen that it contained a question as to the jurisdiction of this court, which he might desire to argue hereafter. With this reservation of this right he was allowed to file it. At the request of Mr. Fullerton, the hearing on the return was set down for next Monday morning.

The return states that Sidney P. Nichols was appointed in May, 1876, to serve as a Police Commissioner for six years, and denies that he was removed by the Mayor in the time or extent of the latter's authority. It next avers that Mr. Nichols protested to the Governor against his removal, but the Governor, nevertheless, approved the improper action of the Mayor. Before that approval was communicated to Mr. Nichols, Mr. MacLean appeared at Police Head-quarters, with an appointment to serve as Police Commissioner in his stead, and, having obtained possession of Mr. Nichols's rooms, he continued to serve in his place until Feb. 7, 1880. The return denies that Mr. Nichols acquiesced in his removal, and says that he protested against it. The certiorari proceedings, in which Judge Lawrence rendered a judgment reversing the action of Mayor Cooper, are next recited in detail, and then it is admitted that on the day Judge Lawrence's opinion was filed, Commissioners French and Wheeler held a meeting of the Board of Police, with Sidney P. Nichols as their colleague. It is denied that Commissioners French and Wheeler invited Mr. Nichols to join them, and that their recognition of him when he presented himself was in violation of law. The admission is made that after he was recognized as a Police Commissioner the Board of Police authorized Mr. Nichols to occupy his former rooms. That authorization, however, was not given in connection with any direction prejudicial to Mr. MacLean; nor have the Board of Police, nor the respondents individually, excluded Mr. MacLean from performing the duties and exercising the privileges of a Police Commissioner. The fact is, the return states, Mr. Nichols has been, in undisturbed possession of the office of a Police Commissioner since Feb. 7, 1880, performing all the duties of the office, and asserting the claim to hold the authority of an appointment the term of which has not expired. The respondents finally ask that the alternative writ of mandamus shall be dismissed.

AN OLD MURDER CASE.

NEW EVIDENCE REGARDING THE DEATH OF RYAN THREE YEARS AGO.

News was yesterday received by the counsel for William Pool and Joseph Fent, convicted of the murder of a man named J. Ryan, that the Court of Appeals had affirmed the conviction of their client, denying the application for a new trial. In April, 1877, Ryan was found one morning lying in the gutter, opposite a saloon in Bedford-street, dead. His skull had been fractured, and he bore the appearance of having been robbed. Pool surrendered himself to the late Capt. Kennedy, at the Ninth Precinct Station-house, and Pool was afterward arrested. Both men were held as supposed participants in the murder. They were charged with having attacked Ryan with a club as he was about to enter the saloon, and with robbing him afterward. Both were convicted. The chief witness against them was Officer John W. Noble, who swore that he was stationed between the two cells of the prisoners while they were in the station-house, and heard them confess the commission of the murder. The prisoners' counsel assert their intention of now carrying the case to Gov. Cornell. They say that they have a death-bed confession of Capt. Kennedy and other evidence tending to show the entire innocence of the accused, which they regard as sufficient to justify the granting of another trial. They say that Capt. Kennedy, at the point of death, confessed to Father Dunne, a Catholic priest, that from inquiries he had caused to be made he had been led to believe that Noble's testimony as to the prisoner's confession was untrustworthy. It is said that they can produce another person who also had an interview with Kennedy, who, affected to taste, had made to him a similar confession. Further, it is alleged another witness still is ready to swear and has already made affidavit that he met Officer Noble on a street car, and said, "I hear you had your men (Pool and Fent) sent up for life," and that Noble replied, "Yes, but I think I was mistaken in their case." Other evidence is claimed to be at hand from a physician, who is said to be willing to swear that in his opinion the man Ryan had never been murdered at all, but had received the fracture of his skull by a backward fall while under the influence of drink, and in the act of entering the saloon. Noble is said to be at present in Louisville.

TWELFTH REGIMENT PARADE.

The Twelfth Regiment paraded for drill and the presentation of marksmen's badges, at the Madison-Square Garden, last evening. The men and officers were in fatigue uniform, and line was formed for drill with eight companies of 12 files. Col. S. V. R. Cruger was in command. After a number of marching movements had been executed, the battalion was halted in battle-front, and the trophies of 1879 were presented to the marksmen by Col. Joseph G. Story, of the State Department of Rifle Practice, assisted by Major G. S. Schermerhorn, Inspector of Rifle Practice of the First Brigade. Colonel Story briefly addressed the marksmen, congratulating them on their prowess with the rifle. The number of badges distributed was 114, of whom there were 17 veterans, 9 four bars, 18 three bars, 36 two bars, and 34 single bars. Drilling in marching movements was resumed, terminating with a skirmish drill by Companies H, Capt. Reddy, and K, Capt. Edward Faskner, commanding. Among the officers of other regiments present were Col. John G. Groves, Sixty-fifth Regiment, Buffalo; Col. R. G. Ryder, Sixty-third; Col. Montgomery; Capt. G. A. Hussey, Capt. G. H. Wilhams, Capt. John V. Wheelen, Capt. Thomas Griffin, Capt. William Walton, Lieut. Bluxome, Lieut. Walter Scott, and Adjt. C. L. Houseman, Ninth Regiment; Capt. L. C. Baker, Gatling Battery R; Capt. W. H. Mintzing, Eighth Regiment Veteran Corps, and Capt. Gilbert, First Brigade staff.

STORMY WEATHER ON THE ATLANTIC.

The steam-ship Rotterdam, which arrived from Rotterdam yesterday, sailed on the 21st, and called at Falmouth, England, on the 24th. A heavy head-gale set in on the afternoon of the 29th, and increased in violence until it became necessary to heave the vessel to, in which condition she remained during the four succeeding days. The wind blew with hurricane force from the west-south-west, while the sea ran high and frequently washed over the decks. At 2 o'clock on the morning of the 24 a green wave broke over the port side of the ocean-ship forward, and smashed in the chart-room and partially stove the wheel-house. The cabin and state-rooms were filled with water. Three of the sailors who were on deck at the time were thrown off their feet and dashed against the deck-house. Two of them were severely injured. Bad weather continued until port was reached. Chief Officer John Vernes states that the recent passage was the stormiest which he has yet experienced in the Rotterdam. The steamship Arizona, of the Guion Line, from Liverpool, which also arrived yesterday, met with violent head-gales and high seas during the early part of her voyage. The steamer Rhiwindda, from Cardiff, experienced remarkably severe westerly gales during the first three days of the present month. She was 17 days in crossing the ocean. The Australia, of the Anchor Line, from London, whose machinery became disabled shortly after she left port, and a number of whose passengers were transferred to the Elysia on the 4th, arrived here safely yesterday.

THE BROOKLYN GAS MONOPOLY.

The matter of the mandamus to compel the Board of City Works of Brooklyn to award the contract for lighting the streets of that city to the Automatic Gas Lamp and Lighting Company was before Judge Daniels, in Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday. Corporation Counsel William C. De Witt, of Brooklyn, and Mr. Edgar M. Cullen appeared for the respondents, and Messrs. A. J. Vanderpoel, Henry R. Kent, and W. J. Hardy for the relators. Mr. Cullen moved to quash the alternative writ, and dismiss the entire proceeding, on the ground that the writ was improperly made returnable in this department. He claimed it had been decided that such a writ must be made returnable in the department in which reside the public officers to whom it is directed. It would be unjust and unreasonable to compel such officers to carry their books from one end of the State to the other in response to mandamus. Mr. Vanderpoel insisted that the alternative writ was properly made returnable in this county, as it relates to a matter in Kings County, where the respondents reside. After a long technical argument, Judge Daniels took the papers and reserved his decision until next Tuesday, March 16.

JOHN V. FARRINGTON PLEADS GUILTY.

John Victor Farrington, who was formerly engaged in the milk business in this City, went to Philadelphia where he became a bar-tender, and subsequently enlisted in the Marines, was brought from Lazaretto Island to this City on a charge of having obtained goods by false pretenses. He was arraigned on complaint of A. L. Hatch & Co., No. 304 Pearl-street, who gave him goods to the amount of $1,000 on his representation that he was David V. Farrington, Jun. Tilton, and owned property in Jersey City, N. J., on which he was building a milk depot. During his incarceration in the Tombs it was ascertained that Farrington was a young man of great dramatic character. He deserted his young wife and two children, was indicted for burglary and shot Officer Reuben M. Fowler, and had been dismissed the service of the Brewing Manufacturing Company, at No. 32 Cortlandt-street, for embezzlement. The prisoner was arraigned by Assistant District Attorney Lyon, in General Sessions yesterday, and pleaded guilty. Judge Gowing sentenced him to two years in State Prison.

SILK DRESS GOODS AT AUCTION.

CITY MERCHANTS LAYING IN THEIR SUMMER SUPPLY.

The semi-annual auction sale of silk dress goods by Messrs. Passavant & Co., through Townsend & Fargis, auctioneers, took place at Nos. 79 and 81 Leonard-street yesterday. The sale began at 10 A. M. The terms were four months' credit on all sums above $100, the usual discount of 6 per cent for cash. All claims are to be made for damage or deficiency on or before the second day after the sale. The goods to be sold were neatly arranged on the three floors of the building, and every purchaser was enabled to make a minute examination of the goods before and during the sale. By allowing this inspection the auctioneer was enabled to sell the several lots very rapidly, as his customers had checked off in their catalogues the numbers of the lots on which they wanted to bid. Among the firms represented were S. E. Claflin & Co., E. S. Jaffray & Co., Le Boutillier Brothers, R. Ridley & Sons, James McCreery & Co., Mills & Brown, H. O'Neill & Co., Felkner, Spencer, Young, Joel Gruber, Hartshorn & Shinn, S. Bernhard, Sharp & Middleton, Moeschner Brothers, Schulte & Co., Conklin & Co., Opdyke & Co., Rothschild & Stern, Chatusay Brothers, Dunham, Buckley & Co., W. S. Stewart, Cooper & Connor, S. Kohn, of Baltimore, and many others.

There were over 3,000 pieces of black, colored, and fancy silks, and 500 pieces of Lyons colored brocades, damasses, and dress satins on the catalogue, but they were not all exercised. Whenever a lot on a line of goods appeared to be too low to suit the sellers only one lot—of which the purchaser had the choice—was sold, and the rest were withdrawn. The sale began with a line of faille de Zurich, 19 inches wide, of assorted colors, 10 lots at 41 cents per yard. Forty-eight lots of similar goods brought 46 cents a yard, and staple colors, 18 inches wide, were sold at 50 cents. Extra heavy colored silk failles, 19 inches wide, brought from 52 to 58 cents; faille de Lyon, superior quality, 20 inches wide, sold at from 46 to 56 cents; gros faille de Venise, 20 inches wide, from 60 to 75 cents, the cardinal and garnet shades of the same material bringing 80 and 83 cents, respectively. A line of Lyons colored grosgrain silks, 22 inches wide, comprised in 32 lots, sold at from 74 to 85 cents, the principal colors being garnet, brown, and mode. A line of Lyons failles, 24 inches wide, consisting of 70 lots, brought from 68 cents to $1 09 per yard. Failles de Paris, 26 inches wide, sold at from 86 cents to $1 20. Lyons black satins, 20 inches wide, of different qualities, sold at from 40 to 98 cents. Lyons Pekin satin and gros grain, 22 inches wide, sold at from 64 to 71 cents; Pekin satin, materially heavy, 20 inches wide, sold at 70 cents, and 24 inches at from 70 to 72 cents. A line of Pekin and satin failles, 24 inches wide, the stripes being alternately of gold and staple colors, were sold quickly at from $1 to $1 05. Lyons 24-inch Jardiniere sold at from 90 cents to $1 12½. Black silks, being a staple article, sold at better prices. Lyons 24 inches wide, quality B, sold at $1 32½; quality C, at $1 37½; quality D, E, and F, at $2; quality G and H, $2 02, and quality J, from $2 10 to $2 22½. Double-faced material, of the same width and manufacture, brought from $1 42½ to $1 75. Lyons black cachemire de soie, 20 inches wide, was sold at from 54 to 58 cents. The general opinion among merchants was that the prices were very fair, some of the lighter Summer goods being remarkably low, while the staple goods realized good prices.

TWO MILLIONS OF BONDS PURCHASED.

The fourth regular weekly purchase of bonds for the sinking fund took place at the Sub-Treasury yesterday. Twenty-eight proposals, aggregating $12,670,350, were received at the following prices: Sixes of 1880, 103.99 to 104.05; sixes of 1881, 105.79 to 106; fives of 1881, 103.40 to 103.75. The Secretary telegraphed to Gen. Hillhouse to accept $2,000,000, the selection to be made from the offers most advantageous to the Government. The following were the lucky bidders:

Montpelier National Bank.—$10,000 sixes of 1880 at 103.99.

Krehn & Schumacher.—$100,000 fives of 1881 at 103.45.

Hatch & Foote.—$2,000 sixes of 1880 at 104; $250,000 fives of 1881 at 103.41; $200,000 fives of 1881 at 103.42.

Ed. Sweet & Co.—$17,000 sixes of 1880 at 104.

Fisk & Hatch.—$27,000 sixes of 1880 at 104.

Verplanck & Co.—$3,000 sixes of 1880 at 104.

First National Bank.—$680,000 sixes of 1880 at 103.99; $592,000 fives of 1881 at 103.44.

Speyer & Co.—$120,000 fives of 1881 at 103.40.

Total, $2,738,000 sixes of 1880 and $1,262,000 fives of 1881.

TOO QUICK FOR THE PICKPOCKET.

While William M. Knauss, a broker, residing in Newark, N. J., was passing through a crowd congregated at Broadway and John street, yesterday afternoon, he felt a tug at the heavy gold chain which held his watch, and which passed through his waistcoat and around his neck. He instantly felt the chain and found his gold watch gone. He at once turned round, and saw a man standing beside him place his hand in his coat pocket. Knauss seized the stranger's arm and said: "I want my watch." "I haven't got your watch," said the man, whereupon Mr. Knauss slipped his hand into the stranger's pocket, squeezed open his hand, and felt his watch. The man, at this, surrendered it with a sullen, "Take your —— watch," and ran away, followed by a crowd, who cried loudly, "Stop thief." Knauss having important business, did not join in the pursuit, but subsequently went to Capt. Caffrey, of the Police Headquarters, and found that the thief had been captured by Officer Merkle. Capt. Caffrey, looking over the Rogues' Gallery, found the prisoner's picture under the name of Campbell, a man who had been arrested for burglary in the Twentieth Precinct. Later in the day Knauss made a complaint against the prisoner before Justice Kilbreth, in the Tombs Police Court. He gave his name as George Adams, denying that he had any alias.

THE WRONG MAN ARRESTED.

Last night Inspector McDermott, who did duty at Police Head-quarters, received a telegram from the Sixteenth Precinct, asking for persons who could identify Dave alias James R. Mooney alias Brady, the mask-thief who on the 11th ult., participated in the robbery at No. 343 Beacon-street, Boston, of $10,000 worth of jewelry, and $16,000 in bonds, the property of George H. Newman. After the robbery Mooney slew his confederate and escaped. A reward of $1,000 is offered for his apprehension. Chief Office Detective Golden, and Detectives Schmitberger and Dunlap, of the Twenty-ninth Precinct, met the captor of the prisoner, Detective Culrun, of the Twenty-ninth-street Station-house, and decided that the man under arrest was Bernard Mooney, brother of the murderer, and he was released. The resemblance of one brother to the other is striking. Bernard recently kept a restaurant in Broadway, near Thirty-ninth street. He was at one time suspected of having, in concert with his fugitive brother, committed a murder at Westhawken.

OBSTRUCTING THE MAILS.

William P. Price, of Newark, and John De Mott, of Pequannock, have been arraigned before United States Commissioner Patterson, at Newark, for obstructing the mails. Conductor Fuller, of the New-York and Greenwood Lake Road, is the complainant. He alleges that when his train, with the United States mail on board, reached Pequannock, Morris County, on the morning of Feb. 16, he found the rails obstructed with frost. The defendants refused to allow him to remove the obstacles, claiming to have been put in possession of the land by the Sheriff of the county, and for 20 minutes he was delayed. The defendants claim that the railroad company had never paid them for the land on which the obstructions had been placed, and that the courts had, through an ejectment suit, maintained their right to possession till compensation had been made. They will have an examination next week.

THE BENCH SHOW JUDGES.

The following gentlemen have been selected to act as judges at the coming bench show of the Westminster Kennel Club: Mastiffs, St. Bernards, Irish water spaniels, clumber and cocker spaniels, fox-terriers, bull-dogs, bull terriers, pugs, Dandy Dinmont terriers and Yorkshire terriers—Hugh Dalziel, Esq., kennel editor London *Field*, England. Newfoundlands, Siberians, grey hounds, dachshunds, dachshunds, collies, King Charles and Blenheim spaniels, Japanese spaniels, Italian greyhounds, Scotch terriers, Skye terriers, and Tay terriers—Dr. Gordon Stables, Surgeon Royal Navy. Native English setters—S. T. Hammond, Esq., Springfield, Mass., and the Hon. John S. Wise, of Virginia, with Hugh Dalziel as referee. Imported English setters black and tan setters, red Irish setters, and pointers—Hugh Dalziel, Esq., S. T. Hammond, Esq., and the Hon. John S. Wise.

SECURITIES AT AUCTION.

The following securities were sold at auction yesterday in the Exchange Sales-room: Forty shares New-York Gas-light Company, 108; 20 shares Globe Fire Insurance Company, 115; 110 shares People's Gas-light Company, 78; $5,000 City of Elizabeth, N. J., school bonds, 47½; 50 shares Citizens' Gas-light Company, of Newark, 56½; $5,000 Jersey City 7 per cent. revenue bonds, 102½; $5,000 Jersey City 7 per cent. improvement bonds, 106½; $3,000 Chicago and Canada Southern Railway Company, 7s, 51; 103 shares Bank of Manhattan Company, 146½; 50 shares Continental Insurance Company, 133; 50 shares Lafayette Insurance Company, 140; 50 shares Lafayette Insurance Company, 139; 4 shares St. Nicholas Insurance Company, 85; $500 New-York and Rockaway Railway Company's first mortgage 7s, 75.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

NEW-YORK.

William H. Adams, who has been connected with the Fire Department as a fireman since its organization, was yesterday retired on half-pay.

The twenty-first annual reception of the non-commissioned officers of the Sixty-ninth Regiment will be held at Ferrero's Assembly Rooms, on Wednesday evening next.

The funeral services over the remains of Mary J. Tweed, wife of the late William M. Tweed, were conducted, yesterday morning, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Douglas, No. 63 East Seventy-seventh-street, by the Rev Dr. Price. The remains were interred in the family vault at Green-Wood.

The usual May anniversary in the Broadway Tabernacle will be held this year during the week commencing May 9, and ending May 16. The Trustees of the building have tendered to the celebrities its free use, and the Committee of Arrangements have perfected all the necessary details for the celebration.

The first boat for Troy started yesterday, making the formal opening of navigation three days earlier than last year, nine days later than in 1877 and 1878, and 14 days later than in 1876. The river was closed 61 days this year, against 75 days in 1879, 51 days in 1878, 71 days in 1877, and 49 days in 1876.

John Vaughan, one of the fellows who perpetrated an atrocious assault on Mr. Peter Marron, proprietor of the billiard-room at No. 41 Park-row, was arraigned in General Sessions yesterday. Mr. Marron did not press for severe punishment, and a plea of assault and battery was accepted. Judge Cowing sent the prisoner to the Penitentiary for six months.

The Clearing-house Association has appointed a committee of seven, consisting of Messrs. Coe, Tappen, Sherman, Perkins, Buck, Hunter, and Dowd, with power to employ counsel, to represent the Clearing-house banks in any future litigation that may arise out of the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court relative to the taxation of bank shares.

William Storm, of No. 15 Bowery, and William Fink, of No. 329 East Third-street, in whose possession Detectives King and Lyon found the greater portion of 3,000 ivory checks stolen from the factory of the Welling Compressed Ivory Manufacturing Company, No. 251 Centre-street, pleaded guilty to burglary yesterday in General Sessions. Judge Cowing sentenced the prisoners to three years each in State Prison.

A match was arranged yesterday at the *Clipper* office, between Edward C. Hoiske, of Boston, the champion 25 and 50 mile walker of the United States, and Thomas H. Armstrong, the ex-amateur champion of all distances, to walk 25 miles for the championship of America and $500 a side. The match is to take place at Madison-Square Garden on May 1. Two-thirds of the gate money goes to the winner, the remainder to the loser.

The Metropolitan-Manhattan Railway Mutual Aid Association have elected the following-named officers: President—George D. Davis, Jr.; First Vice-President—M. J. Reed; Second Vice-President—C. O. Richards; Secretary—J. R. Elwood; Treasurer—Alex. Bell; Argument at Arrest—C. H. Harsel. Executive Committee—Eugene A. Wise, William N. Esler, James A. Laber, W. E. Middleton, George B. Gascoigne, Robert I. Sloan, E. H. Haswell.

John McKenna, an employe of the Third-Avenue Railroad, was committed for trial by Justice Murray, in the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday, on a charge of larceny, preferred by Charles S. Arthur, Secretary of the road. The officer's rooms at the depot were entered by a sneak thief on Monday night, and articles of wearing apparel and two cans of paint were stolen therefrom. McKenna was arrested on suspicion, and when arraigned in court he admitted his guilt.

The Secretary of the New-York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor cautions the public against persons who are soliciting contributions for the relief of the poor on the ground that the association has closed its work for the season and has given up its offices. The work of the association is carried on, throughout the entire year. It is purposed to move the office from the present location, No. 18 Bible House, to No. 79 Fourth-avenue, on the 1st of May.

John Johnston, who claimed to live at No. 152 West-street, was convicted, in the General Sessions Court, yesterday, of the larceny of some tobacco and cigars from the store of Abraham Delmonte, No. 143 East Broadway, on Feb. 23, and sentenced to the State Prison at Sing Sing by Judge Gildersleeve for the term of two and a half years. The prisoner had previously entered the store of Abraham Weingarten, No. 127 East Broadway. He claimed to be a pedestrian.

William Barkman, an employe of the Port Jervis Post Office, was brought to this City yesterday in custody of United States Deputy Marshal Miller, on a charge of robbing the Port Jervis Post Office. Barkman's duty was to carry the mails between the Post Office and the railway depot, and he had access to the inside of the office. It is claimed that he robbed the money-drawer of $2 20, and was detected in the act. United States Commissioner Shields committed him to await examination.

Yesterday was the thirty-sixth anniversary of the consecration of Cardinal McCloskey to the Roman Catholic episcopate. The ceremony of consecration took place in St. Patrick's Cathedral, in Mott-street, in 1844. There was no public observance of the event in Roman Catholic circles, nor was any special attention given to it at the residence of the Cardinal, No. 32 West Fifty-sixth-street. In the morning the Cardinal received his friends and brethren of the City who came to offer their congratulations and to inquire after his health. Some fine bouquets and baskets bearing cards accumulated upon the parlor table in the course of the day, but beyond these amenities of courtesy no prominence was given to the anniversary.

BROOKLYN.

S. V. White, President of the Grocers' Bank, was authorized yesterday by the Supreme Court to pay $1,076 43 to David Leventritt for legal services.

The Good Samaritan, an eating and lodging house where food and shelter are to be furnished at cost, was yesterday incorporated. Among the incorporators are A. S. Barnes, James Morton, and F. D. Blake.

Judge Gilbert yesterday approved the contract made with the Long Island Railroad by Michael Laffan to run a short line between New-York and Narragansett Pier, Block Island, and Newport. The railroad company will run express trains from Hunter's Point to Greenport, and Mr. Laffan's steamers will connect with the trains at that point.

The Supreme Court Judges in the Second Judicial District receive $13,200 a year salary. Of this amount, but $6,000 is paid by the State. The Supervisors have the power to fix the remainder of the salary, and it is said, since Judge Cooke's appointment it has been proposed to reduce the salaries of all the Supreme Court Judges in the Second District to $3,000 each.

Mary Burns, better known as "Big Mary," was found guilty before Justice Courtney yesterday of beating John McNally and his wife, and was placed under $300 bonds to keep the peace. Mrs. Burns, who is a woman of gigantic stature and exceedingly muscular, figures frequently in the courts. Some time ago she was arrested for assaulting two men, one of whom, Charles Drekor, she beat badly, blacking both his eyes. She is said to have issued a challenge recently, offering to fight any man in the Seventh Ward whose height did not exceed 5 feet 6 inches.

LONG ISLAND.

The Baptist church at East Marion has extended a unanimous call to the Rev. A. K. Babcock, of Allenton, R. I. He has accepted, and will take full charge of the church in a few weeks.

Mrs. Fanny W. Overton, a widow, residing at Riverhead, who lost two sons in the war of the rebellion—one in the Army and the other in the Navy—has obtained from the Government a pension of $8 a month and back pay to the amount of $1,424.

Thomas H. Melvin, of Aquebogue, had a narrow escape, on Tuesday, from instant death by the premature discharge of a blast. He had filled the drill with a quarter of a pound of powder, and was tamping it with a rod and hammer, when it exploded, blowing the rock, of about two tons' weight, into fragments. His face was filled with powder, his left hand was terribly burned, his coat-sleeve were torn off, also, both cases of his watch, and his hammer and rod were thrown several rods. The portion of rock that he sat on was thrown three rods away. Mr. Melvin will recover, and though his eyes were considerably injured, he will probably retain his sight.

NEW-JERSEY.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Rev. Dr. Dashiell will take place in St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, Newark, to-day.

Alexander Hamilton, ex-City Treasurer of Jersey City, who was arrested in Jersey City, Saturday, for keeping a disorderly house, gave bail yesterday to answer to the Grand Jury.

A serious question has arisen as to the regularity of the election, by the Board of Aldermen of Jersey City, Tuesday night, of Smith Haines, ex-Assemblyman Stilsing, and Martin McDrehan to fill vacancies in the Board of Finance of the city. The rules of the Board of Aldermen require that the election shall be by ballot. The gentlemen named were elected by acclamation. To prepare the way for this method of election, a motion was made to suspend the rules, which cannot be done with less than eight consurrent votes. But seven Aldermen voted for the suspension of the rule. Aldermen Wood, who is President of the Board, declared the motion carried, however, and the election was effected.

A DAY OF PRAYER FOR IRELAND.

The Irish Branch of the Evangelical Alliance has issued a circular from Dublin, calling attention to the unusual significance of the day of prayer to be observed on March 17, in consequence of the social affliction, suffering, and widespread famine now afflicted in Ireland, and requesting Christian people of all lands to make that day the occasion of special and united prayer for the Irish people. It is also suggested that collections be made at the various churches to aid in defraying the expenses incurred in the relief of the distressed Irish at home, and that the remainder, after meeting local expenses, be remitted to the Treasurer, J. Lambert Jones, No. 54 Upper Sackville-street, Dublin.

THE STRIKING LABORERS.

A mass-meeting of the bricklayers was held last evening in Germania Hall, Twenty-third-street and Seventh-avenue. The society, which numbers upward of 1,600 members, was largely represented, and delegates from the German branch of the union were present to hear the decision of the meeting on the wages question. It was finally resolved to demand $3 a day after the first Monday in April, and to insist more emphatically on the recognition of the society by employers.

P. Lorillard & Co. on Feb. 1 issued an agreement which they required their employes to sign. The employes of the cigarette department refused to comply and were on strike. The agreement provides that the employes shall permit their persons and their homes to be searched at any time by the agents of the firm. The strikers held a mass-meeting last evening, at Turn Hall, No. 359 First-street, Jersey City, to protest against the proposed agreement, and, after several inflammatory speeches by those present, resolutions were adopted denouncing the action of the firm as an outrage.

A SUGAR REFINERY SOLD.

In the Exchange Sales-room, yesterday, the New-York Steam Sugar Refinery, situated on South, Water, Cherry, and Montgomery streets, with a frontage on the East River, including about 24,000 square feet of ground, in fee simple, and four leasehold lots on South-street, each 23 by 79 feet, under lease until May 1, 1883, at an annual rental of $2,000 per annum and taxes, was sold to Jonathan Odell for $70,000 for the main building and appurtenances and $9,000 for the adjoining warehouse. The former consists of the refinery